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EDWARD D. LIBBEY

BIOGRAPHICAL

EDWARD DRUMMOND LIBBEY

A history of Toledo would be incomplete without a sketch of Edward Drummond Libbey, one of its truly great business men and public-spirited citizens. One of the pioneers in the business world, he helped make Toledo one of the important industrial centers of the United States. Through his public spirit he established in Toledo the greatest art museum now existing in any American city of its size, making Toledo one of the great art centers of the United States. His career was a constant and steadying influence in Toledo business and civic and artistic life for more than a third of a century. Primarily his name is associated with glass manufacture, particularly cut glass. Two generations of the family have been identified with the development of this industry.

It is said that the story of cut glass in the United States began with Deming Jarvis, the pioneer glass manufacturer of New England. Deming Jarvis was senior member of Jarvis & Commeraise, glass importers and manufacturers, with a factory located in South Boston. In 1850 this firm took into its employ as confidential clerk William L. Libbey. The latter was born in 1827 and died in 1883, a son of Israel and Mary Libbey. He remained with the firm of Jarvis & Commeraise only five years, or until 1855, when Mr. Jarvis sold the plant to the former clerk, and it was successfully conducted for ten years by William L. Libbey. At the end of that time he concentrated all of his attention upon the manufacture of glassware. A successful business was built up, but he sold in 1870 and took the position of general manager of the New England Glass Company at East Cambridge,

Massachusetts. In 1880 he bought the entire business and at that time took in his son Edward as a partner.

Edward Drummond Libbey was born at Chelsea, Massachusetts, April 17, 1854, a son of William L. and Julia M. (Miller) Libbey. He acquired his early education in the public schools of Boston and later attended lectures at Boston University. In 1874, at the age of twenty, he was given an interest in his father's glass business. It was by a most strenuous apprenticeship that he was fitted for executive responsibility. He performed the most trivial of office duties and filled nearly all the clerical positions in order to learn every detail. On the death of his father in 1883 he succeeded as sole proprietor of the business and it went forward in the same successful manner under his leadership.

It was the discovery of natural gas in northwestern Ohio, and consequent cheap fuel to manufacturers, that brought Mr. Libbey to Toledo. He moved his business to the city in 1888 and incorporated it as The Libbey Glass Company. This is now one of Toledo's most noted industries. This city has the largest cut glass factory in the world in the Libbey Glass Manufacturing Company, and for this distinction the city and its citizens are indebted to the enterprise of Mr. Libbey, who was the pioneer in this special industry. Under normal business conditions the company employs several hundred men. No other nation has excelled America in the cutting of glass into intricate and beautiful designs, and among cut glass manufacturers the Libbey Glass Manufacturing Company stands deservedly at the head. It is a business with a great record of success and of progressive ideals, and the excellence of the Libbey product is unmistakable under whatever conditions it is tested.

At the Columbian Exposition at Chicago in 1893 the Libbey Glass Company erected at a cost of more than one hundred thousand dollars a beautiful building in which the art of making and cutting glass was carried on in all its branches. That beautiful and practical exhibition probably did more than anything else to familiarize the world with this art and secure its just appreciation. What the Libbey Company did then was the culminating effort of almost a century of steady progress in glass cutting, but the

progress has continued uninterruptedly throughout the subsequent thirty years. Again, at the World's Fair in St. Louis, more than ten years later, the Libbey cut glass was prominent as an attraction and as a sharer in the awards.

Mr. Libbey became president of the Libbey Glass Company at the time of its incorporation and served as its chief executive officer until the Libbey Glass Manufacturing Company succeeded to the name. A number of years ago he turned his attention to a problem and in helping forward its solution practically revolutionized glass manufacture. This was brought about by the manufacture of automatic machinery for the making of glassware, particularly the ware which must be "blown," and that for generations the only method was the old hand and lung practice. Mr. Libbey did much to introduce to the trade the Owens machine, which blows glass automatically. He was president of the Toledo Glass Company, a corporation established by him in 1894, and in 1903 he organized the Owens Bottle Machine Company, an Ohio corporation. This company secured an exclusive license from the Toledo Glass Company for the United States for the manufacture of machines and machine-made bottles. Since then the company has introduced the bottle machines into many of the largest plants in the United States. The Owens machine has been one of America's most wonderful inventions and in its success has almost rivaled Standard Oil in the returns to the original investors.

Mr. Libbey was president of the Owens European Bottle Machine Company, which was organized in 1905. This company purchased from the Toledo Glass Company all European rights for the Owens Bottle Machine, but later these rights were sold to a syndicate of European bottle manufacturers. In 1911 Mr. Libbey and his associates began a series of experimentations toward the perfecting of a process of drawing window glass in flat, continuous sheets. The basic idea, conceived by the late Irving W. Colburn, was sold at a receiver's sale and was purchased by the Toledo Glass Company and at great expense was successfully developed, resulting in a machine quite as revolutionary in the manufacture of sheet glass as the bottle machine in its branch of the glass industry. In 1906 the Libbey-Owens Sheet Glass Com-

pany was organized and purchased the sheet glass patent from the Toledo Glass Company, and Mr. Colburn was identified with these corporations until his death.

Mr. Libbey was president of the Owens Bottle Company and the Libbey-Owens Sheet Glass Company, all of his various glass companies being leaders in their several fields. With this brief exposition of his business interests and achievements, it remains to state what Mr. Libbey did for his home city apart from the stimulation and establishment of business and industrial well-being. There is no reason to doubt the assertion that has been made that he did as much for Toledo as any resident who ever lived here. It was not merely a diversion but a sincere interest which made him always a lover of art. That interest took its chief direction in his benefactions in establishing the Toledo Museum of Art. On May 29, 1909, he and his wife, Florence (Scott) Libbey, conveyed by deed to the trustees of the museum seven lots and all the buildings thereon. This place was the homestead of the late Maurice A. Scott, father of Mrs. Libbey, and situated in the Scottwood addition to the city. The terms of the deed are that the trustees hold the same for fifty years, erect thereon a museum for the advancement and display of works of art, and after the lapse of the stated time the trustees may do with the property as they may desire. In addition to this gift Mr. Libbey purchased three hundred feet on the west side of the new museum property on Monroe street, thus giving the museum a total frontage on Monroe street of about eight hundred feet and about five hundred feet on Grove place. This acquisition was purchased for the purpose of protecting the museum from any future encroachment on the part of unsympathetic property owners who might erect unsightly buildings close to the beautiful museum structure. The Toledo Museum of Art was incorporated in 1901 and Mr. Libbey was the president and greatest patron of the institution. Upon the ground a magnificent structure was erected through the benefactions of Mr. Libbey and thousands of other Toledo citizens, which is praised by critics everywhere. Mr. and Mrs. Libbey presented many beautiful paintings and other works of art to the museum. One of the former's gifts was a collection of ancient glass,

which with previous gifts in the same field makes the Toledo museum glass collection perhaps the foremost in America. In 1916 an endowment fund of six hundred thousand dollars was raised among Toledo citizens for the Museum of Art, even children contributing their pennies, and to this fund Mr. Libbey was the largest donor. He was vice president of the American Federation of Arts, the leading national art organization, and was a member of and a liberal contributor to the Egyptian Exploration Society. On July 26, 1922, Mr. Libbey was signally honored by King Albert of Belgium, who conferred upon him the Belgium Order of the Crown, with rank of commander, in recognition of his great accomplishments. The order is conferred upon those who have distinguished themselves in artistic, literary or scientific work, or in the sphere of commerce or industry. This order has been conferred upon only a few Americans. Mr. Libbey thus received international honors in recognition of his preeminence in the encouragement of art and in commerce and industry. He took a prominent part in the upbuilding of Toledo, particularly with reference to the schools and the development of the civic center and city plan commission. He was elected to the board of education by an almost unprecedented vote and to this work he gave his time unstintingly. He was honored with the presidency of the board but declined reelection. The Edward Drummond Libbey high school in the south end of the city was named in his honor in recognition of his efforts in behalf of the schools.

A worthy exemplar of the Masonic fraternity, Mr. Libbey was a member of Sanford L. Collins Lodge, No. 396, F. & A. M.; Toledo Chapter, No. 161, R. A. M.; and Toledo Commandery, No. 7, K. T. Socially he held membership in the Toledo, Country, Inverness and Carranor Hunt and Polo Clubs of Toledo, the Sylvania Golf Club of Sylvania, Ohio, the Metropolitan Club, the Lotus Club, the Salmagundi Club, the National Arts Club and the Bankers Club of New York and the Midwick Country Club of Los Angeles, California. He was also a member of the Institute of Social Sciences of New York. Mr. Libbey's residence was at 2008 Scottwood avenue. His winter residence was in Ojai, Ventura county, California, where he spent several months. Here as well as

in Toledo, in his characteristic manner he remodeled the little village from the usual unsightly appearance of most of America's villages, into a beautiful little town with Spanish type of architecture, building a civic centre among the beautiful live oaks, a post office and acquiring a large tract in the center of the village which he improved and dedicated as a public park. He passed away November 13, 1925.

LYMAN A. BREWER, M. D.

Dr. Lyman A. Brewer, who in professional circles has largely concentrated his attention upon surgical work, in which he has developed a high degree of efficiency, was born in Toledo, June 30, 1864, a son of Dr. Lyman A. and Lucretia (Campbell) Brewer. The family is of English origin, the grandfather of Dr. Brewer being Alonzo Brewer. His father, who was born in 1820, attended the Geneva Medical College, which conferred upon him the M. D. degree at his graduation. He then opened an office in Jonesville, Michigan, where he remained until he came to Toledo about 1860. During the Civil war he joined the army as a member of the One Hundred and Eleventh Ohio Volunteer Infantry, becoming major surgeon and later division surgeon. He served throughout the entire period of hostilities between the north and the south and at the close of the war settled in Hillsdale, Michigan, where he continued in general practice to the time of his death, which occurred in 1876, when he was fifty-six years of age. His wife, a native of Potsdam, New York, and a member of one of the old families of that state of Scotch descent, died in Toledo in 1907, at the age of eighty-three years. She had two children, Lyman A. and William C., also a resident of Toledo.

Dr. Brewer pursued a public school course until he had completed the work of the high school and then entered Hillsdale College at Hillsdale, Michigan. He prepared for a professional career in the University of Michigan, winning his M. D. degree in 1887, after which he opened an office in Hillsdale, where he continued in practice until 1890, when he came to Toledo. Here for almost four decades he has remained

in continuous practice and is widely recognized as one of the foremost physicians of northwestern Ohio. He has taken postgraduate work in London and in Berne, Switzerland, and throughout his professional career he has been a close and earnest student of medical science, keeping in touch with the latest researches and discoveries. He is emeritus surgeon of St. Vincent's Hospital, consulting surgeon of the Toledo General Hospital and the Women's Hospital and chief of staff of Mercy Hospital. He was at one time dean and professor of surgery in the Toledo Medical College, now out of existence. During the war he served at Debarkation Hospital No. 5 at Grand Central Palace, in New York city, as chief of the surgical section, from August 18, 1918, until May, 1919.

Dr. Brewer votes with the republican party and his religious belief is attested in his membership in the First Presbyterian church. He is a lover of outdoor sports both because of his enjoyment of nature in its every phase and because of the benefit which he knows is derived from living in the open. When leisure permits he enjoys out-of-door life but allows nothing to interfere with the faithful performance of his professional duties. He has long enjoyed the confidence and high regard of his fellow members of the profession and he has membership in the Toledo Academy of Medicine, the College of Physicians and Surgeons, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

SPENCER ANDREWS CANARY

There are two outstanding characteristics in the make-up of Spencer Andrews Canary, the able editor of the Sentinel-Tribune of Bowling Green, Ohio. These qualities are: first, thoroughness and the ability to put over most things that he starts to accomplish; and, secondly, his keen intuition in sizing up men, their motives and capabilities. Mr. Canary was born in Bowling Green, May 13, 1874, and is a son of John W. and Celia E. (Duncan) Canary, the latter a niece of General William H. Gibson. As a little boy he peddled onions in the mornings before school and did such odd jobs as he could secure. Starting at the age of thirteen, his work

on the farm included a seven-mile walk daily to and from pasture field with the cows. Later as an editor he added to his farm knowledge by "doing" farmers' institutes and attending a brief agricultural course given by the Ohio State University extension department in Bowling Green. As a boy he also carried newspapers, this being followed by a job as house to house canvasser in the sale of various publications, which included the Standard Dictionary when it was first brought out in 1895. In grammar school he won a scholarship which accorded him the right of attending the Tri-State Business College and later he took a course in stenography there. He was graduated from the Bowling Green high school as salutatorian in 1894. His experiences have included work as a janitor of schools and he also taught in the seventh grade in Bowling Green. He sold industrial life insurance for the Metropolitan in Toledo and "Huck Finned" on the Miami canal with a tintype gallery man and doubtless saved the life of his aged partner by keeping their "ship" from going over the Independence dam during a storm, while he was playing the part of the towpath mule. He then linked up with photography and learned some of the art while tenting around in Florida, Ridgeville Corners and other small towns, and he went through a tornado experience while doing this.

Mr. Canary next joined his brother Russell in Seneca county, where both employed their leisure in debating on semi-monthly occasions at a country schoolhouse. Spencer A. Canary was also chairman of the first meeting in Bloom township, Seneca county, at the time the stone road proposal was made. He worked six months in the France stone quarry, Bloomville, Ohio, and is proud that he never "bushed"—that is, quit because of heat or fatigue. He worked as a stenographer for the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad commercial agency in Toledo and began work as reporter for the Sentinel at Bowling Green, November 5, 1900. With John T. Hutchinson he bought the Wood County Tribune, January 6, 1902, and became its business manager, but sold his interest in July, 1905. He then engaged in a book-selling business and acquired new experience. In December, 1905, he returned to work for the Sentinel and in October, 1907, bought an interest in the Sentinel-Tribune, becoming associate editor. In

April, 1909, he became editor of the paper and has so continued.

On the 8th of December, 1903, Mr. Canary was married to Miss Lucy Lee Chaney, a daughter of John and Sarah Chaney, of Bowling Green. Her grandfather served in congress with John Quincy Adams. Mr. and Mrs. Canary have three children: John Sumner, a lawyer of Cleveland; Robert Barnhard, a teacher in the Lorain high school; and Richard Lee, a sophomore in Dennison University.

Mr. Canary has always been keenly and helpfully interested in public service, ever attempting to advance the welfare and progress of community and county, and has been especially active in helping boys and young men. Three times he has been secretary of the republican executive committee and has also served as secretary of the central committee. In 1904 he and William M. Coen, now deceased, conceived and promoted the city Board of Trade and in 1910 he became the first secretary of the present Bowling Green Commercial Club, of which he has served as a director for twelve years. He was also the first president of the Parent-Teacher Association and he has occupied the presidency of the Town and Gown Club. Fraternally he is a Mason, an Elk, a Knight of Pythias, being a past chancellor commander of the latter, and a member of the Royal Arcanum. Financially and otherwise he has backed the various enterprises of Bowling Green which have been established here as a result of such community support. He has membership in the Presbyterian church and has served as secretary of the board of trustees. One of his great efforts upon which he has expended much time and energy is the preservation of the scenic beauties of the historic Maumee river for the benefit of the public at large, being active in securing the location of the highway near the river in order that seekers after the beautiful in nature may be able to enjoy this God-given right and not have it known only to the few. In future years the populace will honor the names of those who have aided in this great accomplishment.

One of Mr. Canary's greatest regrets was that he did not actually get into the service of Uncle Sam during the Spanish-American war, as his father and his mother's brothers

were in the Civil war and his ancestors in the American Revolution. In an effort to get in he joined two "paper" companies and two drill companies. He was a lieutenant in the one at Bloomville under Captain Hillery and a private in Captain Nagle's company at Tiffin. When he registered for the World war he did not ask exemption, although married and having three children. He served his country as Liberty and Victory Loan salesman and as publicity chairman in the drive for the War Chest to be used by the various organizations, such as the Salvation Army, in assisting the soldiers in barracks and camp and field.

There is little in the world in which Mr. Canary is not interested, but his hobby is human nature. He delights to study the latter in the light of phrenology and the Tope School of Phrenology has conferred on him the honorary title of Doctor of Phrenology in recognition of his knowledge of the subject and of his work to establish it. "Keeping fit" through exercise is another one of his hobbies. For many years he has had as his personal slogan the title of Charles Reade's novel, "Put Yourself in His Place," and in recent years he has evolved this motto for himself—"Very little matters very much."

JOHN C. BUDD

Among the younger members of the bar of Lucas county is numbered John C. Budd, who is rendering very satisfactory service as United States commissioner for the northern district of Ohio, in addition to conducting a general law practice in Toledo. He was born on a farm near Perrysburg, Ohio, February 15, 1891, and is the eldest son of William and Jane (Walker) Budd. William Budd was born in Germany, which he left when a child of two, or over eighty-two years ago, and came to this country with his parents, who settled near Perrysburg. About 1887 he married Jennie Walker, a daughter of William Walker of Scotch Ridge, Ohio, and to them were born eight daughters and six sons.

John C. Budd attended the public schools of Perrysburg, graduating from high school in 1909, and when a small boy

began to assist his father in tilling the soil. He aided in the cultivation and improvement of the homestead until he was twenty years of age, also working on other farms in Wood county, Ohio, and with the money thus earned paid the expenses incidental to his course at the Metropolitan Business College. He was known among the farmers as an honest and very industrious lad, and in school he was a good student who always stood high in his classes. Mr. Budd was then of a very modest and retiring disposition, which retarded his success in early life but his abundant supply of energy and determination later won him recognition.

After his graduation from high school and business college Mr. Budd obtained employment in the Toledo office of the clerk of the United States district court and later was deputy clerk both in Cleveland and Toledo, thus serving for three years. Meanwhile he had become a student at Toledo University, attending night classes of that institution, from which he won the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1915, and in the following year he was admitted to the Ohio bar. From 1915 until 1924 he was private secretary to the Hon. John M. Killits, one of the foremost and best known federal judges in the United States. This eminent jurist paid a high tribute to Mr. Budd's character, saying that he was one of the most faithful employes he ever had. In 1924 Mr. Budd began his career as a lawyer in Toledo, devoting his attention to his practice until November 8, 1927, when he received from Judge Killits the appointment of United States commissioner for the northern district of Ohio, and is now serving in that capacity. Efficient and conscientious, he meets every requirement of the office and also continues in the general practice of law.

Mr. Budd was married August 26, 1916, to Miss Helen Bowers, only daughter of the late Dr. I. S. Bowers, who was one of the most prominent and highly esteemed physicians of Perrysburg. Mrs. Budd inherited the good qualities of her father and mother. The latter died when her daughter Helen was but ten years old. Like her husband, she is a graduate of the Perrysburg high school, and both are endowed with those attributes which make for strong and enduring regard. Mr. and Mrs. Budd have two children: Merlin

Bowers, who was born June 27, 1918; and Dariel Virginia, born June 19, 1922. The parents reside in Maumee and are active in the work of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which Mr. Budd is an officer. He is an Elk, belonging to Toledo Lodge, No. 53, and is also a member of the Catawba Beach Club.

ROBINSON L. BIDWELL, M. D., F. A. C. S.

An earnest student and a tireless worker, Dr. Robinson L. Bidwell has won a gratifying measure of success in his profession and occupies a commanding position in surgical circles of Toledo. He was born in West Jefferson, Madison county, Ohio, April 18, 1884, a son of Lester and Anna (Colliver) Bidwell, and is of English descent. The father was born July 9, 1849, in Madison county of which he was a lifelong resident, and successfully engaged in the livestock business for many years. He was deeply interested in educational matters and served on the school board for a considerable period. He spent his declining years in retirement at London, Ohio, and responded to death's summons December 27, 1927, at the age of seventy-nine years. His wife was born in Madison county on the 16th of September, 1851, and passed away in 1909, when fifty-seven years of age. She was a daughter of Dr. John Colliver and of Scotch ancestry. To Mr. and Mrs. Lester Bidwell were born three sons: P. J., a well known surgeon of Toledo; Robinson L.; and Nathan B., a successful attorney of Boston, Massachusetts.

Dr. Robinson L. Bidwell was a pupil in the public schools of West Jefferson and engaged in teaching in Madison county for two years. At Valparaiso University of Indiana he studied science and pharmacy and in 1908 was graduated from the Starling Medical College at Columbus, Ohio. Previous to that time he was first assistant to Dr. Thomas C. Hoover, a member of the surgical staff of Columbus Hospital, and filled the position for three years. During that period he was also connected with St. Francis Hospital and on the 28th of September, 1908, opened an office in Toledo. His ability has been enhanced by special courses in the medical

R. L. Bidwell, M. D.

department of Harvard University, the Massachusetts General Hospital and the New York Post Graduate Hospital and his surgical skill is in constant demand. Dr. Bidwell devotes his attention to the treatment of the diseases of women and is a member of the staffs of St. Vincent's Hospital and the Women's & Children's Hospital. Formerly he was connected with the surgical staff of Toledo Hospital and during the World war was medical examiner for the fourth district of Toledo.

Dr. Bidwell was married November 24, 1909, in Columbus, Ohio, to Miss Caroline Baird, formerly a director of the Model Kindergarten of that city. Her father, Joseph Baird, was a prominent merchant of Pataskala, Ohio.

The Doctor's residence is at No. 2233 Parkwood avenue and his offices are located on the second floor of the Colton building. He adheres to the Presbyterian faith and in politics is a republican of independent views. A thirty-second degree Mason, he is identified with both York and Scottish Rites and the Shrine, and his fraternal relations also extend to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His public spirit prompts his activities in connection with the Chamber of Commerce and along social lines he is affiliated with the University Club, the Sylvania Golf Club and the Maumee River Yacht Club. He is a member of the Toledo and Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Ohio State Medical Society, the American Medical Association, and has been honored with a fellowship in the American College of Surgeons. Dr. Bidwell has a high conception of the duties and responsibilities of his profession and is constantly augmenting his scientific knowledge and broadening his field of usefulness.

HOWARD LEWIS

Howard Lewis, one of the leading members of the Toledo bar, was born in Caldwell, Ohio, October 18, 1877, a son of Charles Thomas and Dora (Glidden) Lewis, the former of whom was born in Marietta, Ohio, October 9, 1850, and the latter in Caldwell, June 25, 1855. The Lewis family is of Welsh descent, while the Gliddens came of English extrac-

tion. Charles Thomas Lewis was for more than a third of a century a member of the Toledo bar, honored for his ability and close conformity to the ethical standards of his calling. He was for years associated with Judge John H. Doyle in the old original firm of Doyle & Lewis.

Howard Lewis was but five years of age when his parents removed to Toledo, where he attended the public schools. Continuing his education he graduated from Doane Academy, Granville, Ohio, in 1896; received his A. B. degree at Denison University in 1900, and the LL. B. degree was conferred upon him by Harvard Law School in 1903. In December of the same year he was admitted to the Ohio bar and in 1904 entered into active practice in Toledo with Doyle & Lewis, one of the leading law firms in this city for many years. On the 1st of January, 1913, Howard Lewis became a member of the firm and has ever since maintained the connection. Through all the years since his admission to the bar Howard Lewis has made continuous progress in his chosen field. His fitness for that most exacting branch of the legal profession, corporation law, is attested by a clientele that includes a number of large corporations and in which connection he has figured in some of the most important litigation before the courts of Ohio during the past twenty-five years. Specializing in railroad, insurance and corporate practice, the firm of Doyle & Lewis is general attorney for the New York Central Railway; district attorney for the Michigan Central Railway, also the Big Four Railway, and attorney for the Equitable Life Insurance Company, the Globe Indemnity and the Royal Insurance Companies, also the Employers Liability Corporation. Aside from his law practice he is a director of the Conklin Pen Company, the Fifty Associates Company, the Toledo Sugar Company and other important commercial and industrial interests of the city. He has been a member of the board of trustees of Denison University since 1918 and is also a trustee of Woodlawn Cemetery. Fraternally he is a Mason and a member of Sigma Chi fraternity, while politically he is a republican. Appreciative of the social amenities of life, Mr. Lewis is a member of the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, the Carranor Hunt & Polo Club and the Ottawa

Hills Riding Club. In his professional connection he belongs to the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar Associations. A successful lawyer of the highest reputation, Mr. Lewis has attained a foremost position among the ablest members of his profession in Toledo.

On April 20, 1910, in Toledo, Mr. Lewis was married to Miss Caroline Melvin Palmer, who was born in Fostoria, Ohio, June 28, 1882, a daughter of Melvin R. and Frances (Crockett) Palmer. In her infancy the parents removed to Toledo, where she was reared. Mrs. Lewis was educated at Miss Smead's School for Girls and in the Mount Vernon School at Washington, D. C. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis have two sons: Howard, Jr., born January 27, 1912; and Melvin Palmer, born December 25, 1913. The parents attend the Ashland Avenue Baptist church, and the family home is at 2428 Scottwood avenue.

WILLIAM L. HERTZER

There is always room at the top for men of energy, ability and high character of the type of William L. Hertzer, who has risen from a lowly position to the presidency of the Tiffin National Bank, which he has continuously and faithfully served for a period of forty-eight years. He was born in Green Springs, Seneca county, Ohio, October 27, 1860, a son of Guenther F. and Elizabeth (Rauch) Hertzer, and is of German ancestry. His father, who engaged in business as a merchant tailor, was a prominent Mason and also belonged to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Ancient Order of Druids. In January, 1913, he responded to death's summons, while the mother passed away in July, 1928.

The public schools of Tiffin afforded William L. Hertzer his educational advantages and at the age of seventeen he secured a clerkship in the local post office, in which he spent four years. In 1881 he joined the clerical force of the National Exchange Bank, now the Tiffin National Bank, and through tireless application and the capable performance of each day's duties advanced through the various departments, becoming president in 1926. Fortified by a highly special-

ized knowledge of the banking business as well as the requisite executive force, Mr. Hertzer has wisely administered the affairs of the institution for three years, instituting well devised plans for its growth and the expansion of its influence, and enjoys the twofold distinction of guiding the destiny of the largest bank in Seneca county and the oldest in Tiffin. Established sixty years ago, it has steadily increased in power and usefulness, becoming a vital force in the progress of Tiffin and one of the strongest moneyed institutions of northwestern Ohio. The other officers of the bank are: B. W. Crobaugh, first vice president; Lynn Troxel, vice president; H. H. Frazier, vice president and trust officer; L. A. Smith, cashier; and Charles F. Wylie, Jr., and Melville B. Lynn, assistant cashiers. The board of directors is composed of Dr. Robert C. Chamberlain, B. W. Crobaugh, H. H. Frazier, William L. Hertzer, E. R. Frost, Eugene A. Good, Lynn Troxel, James D. Watson and Charles S. Yingling. The bank's statement of March 27, 1929, showed a capital of $250,000 a surplus fund of $500,000, undivided profits of $67,794, deposits amounting to $2,804,-876, and total resources of over $4,000,000. Methodical and systematic, Mr. Hertzer has been able to broaden his energies without lessening their force and in addition to the discharge of his arduous duties as president of the Tiffin National Bank is serving as treasurer of the National Machinery Company, the Loomis Machine Company and the Citizens Building Association, while of the Green Lawn Cemetery Association he is secretary and treasurer.

On the 25th of April, 1889, Mr. Hertzer married Miss Emma Geyer, a daughter of Charles and Ida (Kaesman) Geyer, of Tiffin, both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Hertzer have a family of four children, of whom Carl G., the eldest, who is employed in the testing department of the National Machinery Company, married Miss Leila Zarges and has become the father of a son, Lewis William. Robert W., who fills the position of deputy county auditor, married Miss Helen Hauck and they have one child, Donald. The younger members of the family are: John S., who is employed in the cost department of the National Machinery Company; and

Lucile, a student at Leland Stanford University of California.

Mr. Hertzer is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, while the sport of fishing affords him relaxation from business and financial affairs. His is the record of a serviceable life of quiet devotion to duty and upon the enduring foundation of integrity and honor has been reared the fair fabric of his successful career.

ANTON H. WEIL

On the roster of public officials of Lucas county appears the name of Anton H. Weil, who is discharging the duties of recorder, for which he is well qualified by reason of his experience and ability. He was born in Toledo, May 2, 1871, a son of Conrad and Maria (Beck) Weil, who were natives of Germany but were married in Toledo. The father followed the trade of a carpenter. In the family were five children, four sons and a daughter.

Anton H. Weil received a common school education and began his active career as a messenger for the Western Union Telegraph Company. For five years he worked for C. A. King & Company, dealers in grain, and next held a position in the Toledo factory of the Pope Automobile Company, where he spent one and a half years, having charge of various departments. Afterward he was employed in the Lozier and Yost bicycle works and in 1905 became an assistant superintendent of the upper floors of the Tiedtke Brothers store, with which he was connected for sixteen months. Mr. Weil then entered the county recorder's office in the capacity of a clerk and owing to his capability and trustworthiness was advanced to the position of chief deputy. In November, 1928, he was elected recorder and has amply justified the confidence reposed in him, maintaining a high standard of efficiency in his department.

Mr. Weil was married December 29, 1892, in Toledo, to Miss Katherine Breisacher, a daughter of George B. Breisacher, and they have become the parents of a son, Edward

W., who is now a deputy in the office of the auditor of Lucas county..

Mr. Weil is affiliated with the German Lutheran church and gives his political allegiance to the republican party. Along fraternal lines he is identified with the Eagles, the Foresters of America and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. By nature he is genial, sincere and generous, and these qualities have drawn to him a wide circle of loyal friends.

FRANK H. BUCKINGHAM

Though a comparatively recent addition to the ranks of the legal fraternity in Bellevue, Frank H. Buckingham has gained recognition as a capable lawyer and is building up a splendid practice, while his excellent personal qualities have won for him many loyal friends throughout the community. He was born in Monroeville, Huron county, Ohio, July 23, 1901 and is a son of Jesse and Bretna (Lathan) Buckingham, the father a grain dealer of Bellevue. The son received his public school education in Bellevue, where he graduated from high school in 1919. In the following year he entered Western Reserve University, in Cleveland, which he attended two years, and when he had completed his classical studies, he pursued the law course in Ohio State University, from which he was graduated in 1926.

Although admitted to the bar of Ohio in 1925, he did not enter upon the active practice of his profession until July, 1926, when he opened an office in Fremont, where he remained until November, 1927, since which time he has been in Bellevue, where he is associated with R. R. Parkhurst, under the firm name of Parkhurst & Buckingham. He conducts a general practice, is a constant and close student of the law and has shown a degree of efficiency in handling cases entrusted to him that has won for him the respect of his colleagues and the confidence of the public. In November, 1928, he was elected prosecuting attorney of Sandusky county for a term of two years.

On April 11, 1923, Mr. Buckingham was united in mar-

riage to Miss Adele Balthaser, of Columbus, Ohio, where she graduated from high school She is a daughter of Peter H. and Effie (Griffen) Balthaser, of Columbus. Mr. and Mrs. Buckingham are the parents of a son, Thomas S., born February 21, 1926, and a daughter, Ruth Joanne, born July 23, 1928. Mr. Buckingham is a stanch republican in his political views and has shown an active interest in public and civic affairs. He is a member of the Sandusky County Bar Association and the Delta Upsilon and Delta Theta Phi college fraternities, while he and his wife hold membership in the Congregational church. Because of his ability, his character and his record as lawyer and citizen, he is held in high esteem by all who have come in contact with him.

EVERETT ELLSWORTH TAYLOR

Everett Ellsworth Taylor, who served with distinction in the World war, is now devoting his energies to the business of the Toledo Printing Company, of which he is the president. He also figures prominently in the affairs of the American Legion and in other connections. He was born in Logansport, Indiana, November 17, 1893, a son of Harry E. and Armeda (Henderson) Taylor, and is of English lineage. In the paternal line he is descended from an American patriot who fought in the Revolutionary war, and his grandfather was a Union officer during the Civil war, serving for four years and being wounded five times. He chose the career of an agriculturist and always followed that line of work. The paternal grandfather of Everett E. Taylor engaged in the grocery business in Indiana during the early days. He was a first cousin of General Zachary Taylor, who became the twelfth president of the United States.

Harry E. Taylor was born in Winamac, Indiana, and received a high school education, afterward becoming a photographer. When thirty-three years of age he located in Toledo and for a considerable period was connected with the Toledo Traction Company, filling various positions and eventually becoming cashier. Afterward he served as district superintendent of the Prudential Insurance Company and

later became affiliated with the Acme Power Company. He was active in fraternal affairs. His wife was born in Circleville, Ohio, where the family settled in pioneer times. Her mother, Elizabeth Jane Thomas, was a native of Ireland and when a child came to America with her parents, who established their home in Ohio.

There were three children in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Harry E. Taylor but Everett E. is the only one now living. In 1911 he was graduated from the Central high school of Toledo and afterward was a student at the American Engineering College, which he attended at night, working during the day for the Toledo Railways & Light Company. He enlisted April 24, 1917, twelve days after America entered the World war and organized a company whose members were trained at night school, using broomsticks in place of rifles. Mr. Taylor made patriotic speeches from automobiles and other places of vantage and secured seventy-five recruits. On the 15th of July, 1917, he was called upon for active service and commissioned a first lieutenant. He was placed in command of the company which he had formed, comprising a unit of the Thirty-seventh Ohio Division, and the men were sent to Camp Sheridan at Montgomery, Alabama, for training. They remained there until June 22, 1918, when they sailed for France, and landed at Brest on the 5th of July. Mr. Taylor was transferred to the One Hundred and Forty-seventh Regiment of United States Infantry, serving under Colonel F. W. Galbraith, later commander of the American Legion, and was stationed in the Lorraine sector. He participated in the Argonne and St. Mihiel offensives and in the former was wounded and gassed, on September 29, 1918. He was ordered to Belgium and served on two fronts. He was promoted to a captaincy October 16, 1918, and from October 17, 1918, until April 9, 1919, he was division liaison officer and assistant to G-3 of the general staff of the Thirty-seventh Division under Major General C. F. Farnsworth, who afterward became chief of the United States infantry, with headquarters in Washington, D. C. In recognition of his gallant and meritorious conduct on the field of battle Captain Taylor was awarded the Croix de Guerre with two silver stars and received one division cita-

tion as well as a citation from general headquarters. On April 9, 1919, at Chillicothe, Ohio, he was mustered out of the service with a highly creditable military record. In 1927, accompanied by Mrs. Taylor, he joined the pilgrimage of the American Legion and returned to Paris, France, for its tenth annual convention. They visited all the battlefields over which he fought and took moving pictures of each, which were later shown in Ohio to over seven thousand people in thirty-five different gatherings, each with a travelogue lecture given by Mr. Taylor.

Mr. Taylor entered the employ of the Toledo Edison Company, with which he spent ten years in all. Starting as office boy, he rose to the position of illuminating engineer for the H. L. Doherty Company of Ohio. In March, 1923, he severed his connection with the Edison Company, becoming commercial manager of the Gillet-Hoehler Company, dealers in electric lighting fixtures, and he acted in that capacity until September 1 of the same year, when he purchased an interest in the Toledo Typesetting & Printing Company. At that time the name was changed to the Toledo Printing Company, of which he has since been the executive head, and during his tenure of office the business has enjoyed a rapid growth. The firm has an up-to-date plant at Nos. 317-23 Tenth street and publishes magazines, periodicals and direct mail advertising.

On the 16th of February, 1918, Mr. Taylor was married in Montgomery, Alabama, to Miss Hazel W. Broer, a daughter of William H. and Elizabeth (Witker) Broer, natives of Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor have two children: Ruth Ellen, who was born in Toledo, September 29, 1922; and Richard William, born in Toledo September 16, 1926. In 1929 Mr. Taylor erected and completed his new home in Brookside road, Ottawa Hills.

Mr. Taylor is serving for the second term on the board of trustees of the First Congregational church, and his wife is affiliated with St. Paul's Lutheran church. She is active in the affairs of a number of clubs for women and also in the work of the Young Women's Christian Association of Toledo. An ardent champion of the Boy Scout movement, Mr. Taylor has done important work as scout master of Troop No. 29,

sponsored by the First Congregational church, and in 1928 was awarded a medal in recognition of his ten years of service in behalf of the organization. He is business manager of the Councillor, the official newspaper of the American Legion of Ohio, and published the first issue of that paper with his partner, Edwin J. Tippett, Jr., as editor. A thirty-second degree Mason, Mr. Taylor is identified with both the York and Scottish Rites and the Shrine. He is also a member of the National Sojourners; the Beta Phi Sigma, a national fraternity; the Young Men's Christian Association; the Chamber of Commerce; the Sylvania Golf Club; the Advertising Club of Toledo and the Exchange Club. In politics he is a stalwart republican and his opinion carries considerable weight in the local councils of the party. In 1928 he was a candidate for the office of county commissioner and lost the election by a small margin. He has been chosen captain of the Community Chest forces and is completing his tenth year of activity in that work.

Mr. Taylor was general chairman of "The Every Member Canvas" of First Congregational church in 1928 and brought it to a successful conclusion. Generous, broad-minded and public-spirited, he is always found in the vanguard of movements destined to prove of real and practical good and belongs to that desirable class of citizens who constitute the strength, bulwark and motive power of every locality in which they are found.

CARL VITZ

The efforts of Carl Vitz as librarian of the Toledo Public Library have been most effective and far-reaching. He was born in St. Paul, Minnesota, June 3, 1883, and comes of a family that numbered various pastors of the Reformed church among its members. His parents are Dr. Martin and Mary Ellen (Engeler) Vitz, the former born at Magley, Indiana, August 15, 1857, and the latter at Vera Cruz, Indiana, October 22, 1861. He comes of German and Swiss ancestry on the paternal side and of Swiss descent in the maternal line.

A portion of the early boyhood of Carl Vitz was spent in Auglaize county, Ohio, and he was a lad of twelve years when the family home was established in Cleveland, where he was graduated from the West high school in 1900. Thereafter he entered Adelbert College of Western Reserve University, which in 1904 conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Mr. Vitz was planning to enter the teaching profession when he was advised by Dean A. L. Fuller to take up library work. Already he had been working in the Cleveland Public Library as a page and in 1907 he won his professional library degree—that of Bachelor of Library Science—from the New York State Library School at Albany. His early practical experience, as stated, came to him in his work in the Cleveland library from 1898 until 1906 and in the college library at Western Reserve. After leaving the New York State Library School he went to Washington, D. C., where he organized the first technology department of the public library in the national capital. After two years' service as assistant librarian there he returned to Albany as assistant to the director of the New York State Library, remaining in that position from 1909 until 1912. During this time occurred the memorable fire of March 11, 1911, which wrecked the structure with its five hundred thousand volumes and destroyed countless invaluable documents which cannot be replaced. Mr. Vitz was given charge of the task of re-ordering for the new library, for which the New York legislature made an appropriation of one million, two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

In 1912 Mr. Vitz became second vice librarian in Cleveland, Ohio, and was in charge of the main library for six years. He was advanced to the position of first vice librarian and continued to act in that capacity until 1922, when Toledo secured him as librarian. His high standing in professional circles is indicated in the fact that he was president of the Ohio Library Association in 1921. He also acted as camp librarian at Camp Sherman during the World war period and since 1913 has been lecturer and instructor in the Library School of Western Reserve University, where every year he delivers a number of lectures on library administration. He has also filled various positions in connection with

the American Library Association, of which he has been councilor since 1924.

In Albany, New York, August 22, 1910, Mr. Vitz was married to Miss Adelaide Ruth Van Aernam, of that city, and of Dutch ancestry. Her parents were Charles H. and Mary Etta (Howard) Van Aernam, the former born in Albany, New York, March 5, 1851. Mr. and Mrs. Vitz are the parents of five children, namely: Howard Engeler, born September 8, 1911; Richard Van Aernam, born August 11, 1913; Margaret Elizabeth, born January 29, 1915; Janet Anderson, born December 22, 1921; and John Stewart, born October 25, 1925.

Mr. Vitz has membership in the Rotary Club and the Torch Club of Toledo and is a Presbyterian in religious faith. He finds recreation and pleasure in gardening and in horticultural pursuits, in which he indulges on a four-acre tract of land on the Stearns road. He has exemplified in his life the spirit of Franklin's words: "Leisure is the time saved for doing something useful." Naturally his reading is of a most comprehensive scope. A contemporary writer has said of him: "He is fond of architecture, follows political science keenly, but best of all, joins that growing list of men of intellectual strain who boldly admit a liking for detective stories. They are his choice in the late hours of the evening after hard days." His chief interest now, aside from the wise management of the present library, is the development of the project for a new library.

HARRY S. DAY

One of the best known citizens of Sandusky county, Harry S. Day, of Fremont, enjoys a wide reputation for his success in the nursery business and for his prominence in public affairs, having held various offices of trust and responsibility, while in private life he has exemplified the highest type of citizenship. Mr. Day was born in Fremont in 1871 and is a son of John and Emily (Williams) Day, the former a pioneer in the nursery business in this locality, having started the present concern in 1858. The mother died in 1917.

HARRY S. DAY

Harry S. Day acquired his early education in the public schools of his home city, graduating from high school in 1889, after which he took a special course in Oberlin College. In 1894 he entered the railway mail service, which he followed for four years, when he resigned, but subsequently reentered the service and remained four years longer. In 1901 he started the nursery business on his own account and was also associated with his father along that line. On the death of his father in 1910 he took over the management of the nursery business, to which he has given his close attention, resulting in a steady and substantial growth, until it is now the largest enterprise of its kind in northwestern Ohio. Mr. Day has seventy-five acres of land in cultivation as a nursery, its products being sold mainly by catalogue and mail orders, and has a farm of over one hundred acres just outside of Fremont.

In 1904 Mr. Day was united in marriage to Miss Lola Garvin, of Fremont, daughter of Jacob B. and Mary (Coffin) Garvin, both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Day are the parents of a daughter, Elizabeth, who is at home. Mrs. Day is actively interested in the church, club and social affairs of her community and is popular among her associates. Politically Mr. Day has always been a strong supporter of the republican party and has been very active in political affairs. In 1902 he was appointed deputy postmaster of Fremont, which position he held for four years. In 1917 he was elected mayor of Fremont, and two years later was reelected, serving two terms. In 1922 he was the republican candidate for state treasurer and was elected, leading the entire republican ticket. He discharged his responsible duties so satisfactorily that in 1924 he was reelected, and at the end of his second term retired from the office with a splendid record of efficient public service. Mr. Day was a candidate for nomination for Congress in 1928. He was chairman of the republican county committee for eight years and was reelected in 1928 but resigned, and was president of the Sandusky County Republican Club for four years. Mr. Day is a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Dramatic Order of Knights of Khorassan, the Knights of the Maccabees, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Loyal Order of Moose, and the Chamber of Com-

merce. He attends the Presbyterian church. He has been successful in his business affairs and, in addition to his extensive nursery interests, is a director of the Catawba Orchard Association, a director of the Midwest Mortgage Company, of Columbus, and a director of the Citizens Savings and Loan Company. In his business career and public services he has honored the community in which he lives and he commands to a marked degree the confidence and loyal esteem of his fellowmen.

EDWIN J. MARSHALL

Edwin J. Marshall, of the firm of Marshall, Melhorn, Marlar & Martin, of Toledo, was born in that city, June 28, 1873, son of John W. and Margaret (Baker) Marshall; attended the public schools until graduated from the old Central high school with the class of 1892. His professional training was received in Cornell University, from which he received the LL. B. degree in 1895. The following year he formed an association with Harold W. Fraser under the name of Marshall & Fraser, which continued until 1924. On the 8th of October, 1899, he was married to Miss Helen B. Boardman, of Lowell, Massachusetts.

N. R. HARRINGTON

For over forty years a member of the legal fraternity of Bowling Green, N. R. Harrington has contributed materially toward its prestige and at the same time has won that prosperity which is the direct and legitimate reward of an upright life of tireless industry. He was born in Pickaway county, Ohio, August 27, 1860, a son of W. A. and Helen M. (Ross) Harrington, and is of English descent. His grandfather, William Harrington, resided in Vermont during his youth and left that state in 1819, migrating to Ohio. He was one of the early settlers of Trumbull county and attained the advanced age of ninety-one years. W. A. Harrington was born in Trumbull county in 1829 and became an agricul-

turist. From 1858 until 1880 he engaged in farming in Pickaway and Madison counties, and then returned to Trumbull county, where he resided until his death on the 5th of June, 1893. His wife, Helen M. (Ross) Harrington, was born in New Hampshire in 1835 and passed away in 1883. They had a family of four children: N. R.; two who died in infancy; and Minnie M. Woodruff.

N. R. Harrington attended the public schools of Warren, Ohio, and obtained his start in life as a bookkeeper in the office of the Lima Paper Mills. His ability and close application were rewarded by rapid advancement and eventually he became secretary of the company and superintendent of the plant. In 1884 he tendered his resignation and entered the employ of his uncle, C. A. Harrington, a prominent attorney of Warren. While reading law N. R. Harrington was appointed a deputy clerk of courts and thus gained valuable legal experience. In March, 1887, he was admitted to the bar and in the following May located in Bowling Green. He formed a partnership with Robert Dunn, Sr., in 1888 and in 1890 became a partner of the Hon. Frank A. Baldwin, with whom he practiced for over twenty years. In 1915 he took Robert Dunn, Jr., into a partnership. Mr. Harrington has a comprehensive knowledge of the principles of jurisprudence and displays keen discrimination in the solution of intricate legal problems. He is thorough and painstaking in the preparation of his cases and his extensive clientele is indicative of his ability as an attorney and counselor. He is interested both as director and attorney in the Wood County Savings Bank and the Equitable Savings & Loan Company, is attorney for the Lima Toledo Railway Company and is also connected as attorney and director with the Ohio Northern Public Service Company and the City Water Company.

Mr. Harrington was married January 1, 1889, to Miss Laura Belle Case, of Trumbull county, Ohio, and they have become the parents of three children: Edward A., Helen M. Compton and Frank A.

Mr. Harrington is a republican and at one time was city solicitor. He also served on the board of education for twelve years and was clerk of the board, discharging his public duties with characteristic efficiency and conscientiousness.

For forty years he has been a member of the First Presbyterian church of which he is an elder. He served for a term of three years as a member of the judicial committee of the general assembly and is a moderator of the Toledo presbytery. In Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and is a Noble of Toledo Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is also identified with the Knights of Pythias and along strictly professional lines has membership in the Wood County, Ohio State and American Bar Associations. Time has proven his worth and he is highly esteemed in the city in which he has so long resided.

WELLINGTON T. HUNTSMAN

Wellington T. Huntsman, postmaster of Toledo, has been active in public affairs for many years and also in religious work, exerting a strong force for moral progress and spiritual uplift in his city. He was born in Darlington, Richland county, Ohio, February 22, 1864, a son of Amariah C. and Mary (Culp) Huntsman. The grandfather, Jonathan Huntsman, was a native of Pennsylvania and cast in his lot with the early settlers of Ohio. His son, Amariah C. Huntsman, was born in the Buckeye state and devoted his life to agricultural pursuits, passing away in 1902.

Reared on the home farm, Wellington T. Huntsman attended the public schools of that locality and completed his studies in the University of Lebanon. For seven years he was a public school teacher and then located in Toledo, becoming an instructor in the Tri-State Business College, with which he was connected for three years. He then entered the employ of the New York Central Railroad Company and remained with the corporation for seven years. For three years he was deputy city auditor and for two years was associated with "Golden Rule" Sam Jones, who was one of Toledo's notable men and achieved more than local prominence during his service as mayor of the city. Mr. Huntsman was a member of the board of state examiners for four years and then entered the office of the county clerk of courts, in which he spent seven years, acting as chief deputy during

five years of that period. Afterward he engaged in the bond business and in banking for eight years, prospering in his undertakings, and in 1920 was the popular choice for county clerk. He was reelected in 1922 and 1924 and resigned to become postmaster of Toledo, assuming office January 6, 1925. With post-graduate experience in public affairs, he discharges his duties with marked efficiency, and his work has received high commendation.

On the 10th of November, 1896, Mr. Huntsman was united in marriage to Miss Marian Bankson, who was born in Michigan and has proven an ideal companion and helpmate. Both are active in welfare work, and Mrs. Huntsman is particularly interested in projects for the benefit of young girls and is secretary of the board of control of Flower Esther Hall and secretary of the board of Friendly Center. Mr. Huntsman is a member of the board of the Flower Hospital and a trustee of St. John's Methodist church. For twenty-three years he has served as superintendent of its Sunday school and has been leader of the church choir for twenty-six years. His fraternal affiliations are with the Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. By nature he is genial, frank and kind-hearted, and his friends are legion. He has ably and conscientiously discharged every trust reposed in him, whether of a public or private nature, and his influence upon the life of his city has been of the highest order.

CLYDE PUBLIC LIBRARY

One of the most important and highly appreciated institutions in any well organized community is the public library, the influence of which on the education, improvement and entertainment of the people is incalculable. In this regard a public library is a direct asset and deserves the recognition and support of all intelligent people. The public library at Clyde, Ohio, is the outgrowth of the old public school library which for a number of years had been maintained by the board of education, which made small purchases of books

from year to year. In the course of time it grew to a size that compelled its removal from the high school rooms to a part of the play hall in the rear of the school building. On December 1, 1903, at a full meeting of the board of education, Judge S. S. Richards introduced the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted: "Resolved that the school library, which has grown until it contains about sixteen hundred books, is large enough to allow of its use by the general public as well as by the pupils, and having been paid for by the residents of the school district, is hereby constituted a public library, free to all of the inhabitants of the district, under reasonable regulations to be adopted by the board; and that arrangements shall be made so that after January 1, 1904, said library shall be kept open to the public to draw books at least one-half day in each week. Resolved, that it is the purpose of this board to increase the efficiency of said library by making liberal purchases of additional books from time to time, as authorized by law." Thus was instituted the public library, an action which met with so large a response on the part of the people of the community that the board was encouraged to make substantial additions to the list of books. However, by the end of 1904 it was found that there was left in the library quarters no further room for expansion and the board faced the problem of securing more space. After some deliberation, it was decided that a suitable building was necessary to make a permanent home for the library, and it was suggested that the board present the matter to Andrew Carnegie, who had been so generous in providing for the erection of library buildings in other cities. A communication, embodying a description of Clyde and vicinity, naming its resources and historical features, as well as the situation relative to the library, was delivered to Mr. Carnegie in person by Mr. Richards, president of the board of education, with the result that Mr. Carnegie offered a gift of ten thousand dollars, under the following conditions: "That the people of Clyde furnish a site for the library building and equip the same; that the village council and the board of education jointly agree to accept the gift; that ten percent of the amount of the gift be raised and expended annually in maintaining this as a free public library." These

conditions were accepted and a canvass of the school district for the necessary funds was made. When completed, on notice, Mr. Carnegie placed ten thousand dollars to the credit of the board of education. Plans submitted by Paul O. Mortz, of Bloomington, Illinois, were selected and the construction of the building began in May, 1905. The building, which is constructed of Sandusky county granite, specifically of "hard heads" split and laid with the face outward, is attractive in design and complete in its arrangements and equipment, and has well served its purpose. As the building progressed it became apparent that an additional sum would be required to complete it, and this was generously contributed by Mr. Carnegie. By arrangements with the local board of education, the school children of Green Creek township also have use of the Clyde library, the board of that township having agreed to expend for the purchase of books the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars annually from the tuition funds of the township. All books are classified according to the Dewey decimal system of classification and are catalogued by the card method. The library is open to the public from 12:30 P. M. t o 8:30 P. M. The first librarian was Miss Rena Richards, who took the Library course in Western Reserve University and proved in every respect well qualified for the position and made herself invaluable to the patrons of the library by her courtesy and accommodation, as well as by her kindly assistance. The present librarian is Mrs. Bessie Neipp, who is equally accommodating and helpful to the patrons of the library. The present board of education of Clyde, under whose management the library is conducted, is as follows: Irving R. Clapp, president, Albert A. Wott, clerk, Karl B. Mann, Harold Miller and A. M. Gault, and Mr. A. J. Love is Superintendent of Schools.

EDWARD P. BUCKENMYER

Energetic, determined and self-reliant, Edward P. Buckenmyer secured his education through his own efforts and his talents, natural and acquired, are bringing him rapidly to the fore in legal circles of Toledo. He was born in Spencer

township, Lucas county, Ohio, February 20, 1895, and is a son of Jacob R. and Dena (Lehmkuhle) Buckenmyer. His forbears in the paternal line lived in Alsace-Lorraine, Germany, and Jacob Buckenmyer, the American progenitor of the family, settled in New York state about the year 1850, there remaining until about 1870, when he migrated to Ohio. Jacob R. Buckenmyer was reared in Lucas county and became one of the progressive agriculturists of the Fort Miami district. His wife was born at Fort Jennings in Putnam county, Ohio. Her father, Casper Lehmkuhle, was a native of Hanover, Germany, and as a young man he came to the United States, settling in Putnam county, Ohio, where he developed a valuable farm. Mr. and Mrs. Jacob R. Buckenmyer were the parents of twelve children, of whom seven survive, six sons and a daughter.

Edward P. Buckenmyer, the fourth in order of birth, was a pupil in the rural schools of Spencer township and was graduated from the Swanton high school in 1913. His early life was spent on the home farm and in 1913-14 he was principal of the Lyons (Ohio) school. During the latter year he attended a summer school at Wooster, Ohio, and in 1915 and 1916 was storekeeper of the State School for the Deaf at Columbus, Ohio. He then matriculated in the Ohio State University, which he left when the World war was in progress and enlisted in the United States army January 5, 1918. For a few months he was in training at Camp Sherman, Ohio, and was sent overseas June 5, 1918. While stationed in France he had the privilege of attended the University of Grenoble for four months and returned to his native land in July, 1919, receiving his honorable discharge on the 24th of that month. Mr. Buckenmyer worked his way through the University of Ohio, in which he completed a six years' course, winning the A. B. degree from that institution in 1920 and that of LL. B. in 1922. During the summer of 1921 he was a forest ranger in Yellowstone National Park and thus paid the expenses of his last year in the university. In 1922 he located in Toledo, becoming associated with the law firm of Seely & Wolfe, with which he was connected until July 1, 1928. He is now alone, maintaining an office on the tenth floor of the Nicholas building, and his residence is at No.

1926 Milburn avenue. He has successfully handled important litigated interests and in his presentation of a case is always well fortified by a comprehensive understanding of the legal principles applicable thereto.

Mr. Buckenmyer is a strong democrat and an energetic worker in behalf of the party. In religious faith he is a Roman Catholic, and his fraternal affiliations are with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Toledo City, Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar Associations; the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and Toledo Post of the American Legion. He also belongs to the Toledo Tennis Club, the Young Men's Christian Association and the Forty and Eight, the social branch of the American Legion. A young man of earnest purpose, tireless industry and keen intelligence, Mr. Buckenmyer is destined to go far in his profession and is esteemed for his strength of character and genuine worth.

FORREST R. MILLER

Forrest R. Miller has steadily progressed toward the goal of success and is now an important factor in banking circles of Tiffin. He was born in Seneca county, Ohio, November 10, 1888, and is a son of Christian and Martha C. (Watson) Miller. His grandfather, Christian Miller, was a native of Germany and cast in his lot with the early settlers of Ohio.

Forrest R. Miller received a public school education and his first knowledge of financial affairs was gained in the Tiffin National Bank, in which he was employed for five years, filling various positions. In 1912 he entered the Commercial National Bank, of which he was made assistant cashier in the following year, and since 1919 has been its cashier. Thoroughly understanding the intricate details of modern finance, he has contributed toward the success of the bank by conscientious, efficient work and is devoted to its interests. He is a director of the institution and also of the New Riegel State Bank.

Mr. Miller was married July 28, 1911, to Miss Rachel E. Hoke, daughter of George M. and Anna R. (Martin) Hoke,

of Tiffin. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have three children: Philip H., Martha R. and Forrest. Mr. Miller is a democrat and was elected county treasurer in 1918 but did not accept the office. In religious faith he is a Presbyterian and along social lines is connected with the Mohawk Country Club. A Knight Templar Mason and member of DeMolay Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., he is also identified with the Knights of Pythias, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. Mr. Miller owes his rise in the financial world to the faithful performance of each day's duties, coupled with the ability to meet and master situations, and the respect accorded him is well deserved.

FRANK O'NEILL

In the field of invention and manufacture Frank O'Neill is one of Toledo's conspicuous men, for in the development of glass working machinery he has achieved a noteworthy success, the O'Neill Machine Company now ranking among the city's leading industrial concerns. He was born in St. Clairsville, Belmont county, Ohio, on the 16th of February, 1863, a son of James and Rebecca (Orr) O'Neill. His father, who was a native of Canada, became a merchant tailor and followed that vocation practically up to the time of his death, which occurred in 1907. He was survived a number of years by his widow, who was born in Bridgewater, Ohio, and who passed away in Martins Ferry, Ohio, in 1917. In their family were three children, namely: Jesse, who is with the O'Neill Machine Company; Harriet, the wife of Ralph Thomas, who is an accountant in the court house of Santa Clara county, at San Jose, California; and Frank, of this review.

When a small boy Frank O'Neill accompanied his parents on their removal to Marietta, Ohio, and later to Quaker City, this state, in the public schools of which place he acquired his education. When sixteen years of age he started to learn the glassworking trade at Martins Ferry, Ohio, in which city he was employed during the greater part of the time until 1886. He then moved to Findlay, Ohio, where he

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worked in a machine shop, making moulds for the manufacture of glass articles. Two years later he went to Fostoria, this state, where he was employed at machine work. There he began to invent glassworking machinery in 1893 and from that time until 1911 he worked in various cities of this country, building machines for the making of glass bottles and jars. In 1911 Mr. O'Neill came to Toledo and established a small plant on Locust street for the making of the machinery which he had invented. A short time later he moved to the Factories building, in which he remained until 1914, when he moved to his present location at 2090 Auburn avenue. In 1923, the business having grown to an extent that demanded more space and better manufacturing facilities, he erected an up-to-date and commodious factory building, sixty by two hundred and twenty feet in size, in which is to be found the most improved type of machinery for his purpose. The company manufactures glass bottle machinery of advanced type, which is shipped to all parts of the world. Two sizes of bottle machines are made. The large machine, which has eight moulds, has a capacity of from twenty to fifty bottles or jars a minute, depending on the size of the article, while the small machine, which has six moulds, will turn out from twenty-four to fifty bottles or jars a minute. One hundred men, most of whom are expert machinists, are employed in the plant, and the company now has sufficient orders ahead to keep the shop running for nearly five years, and necessitating an increase, in 1929, of seven thousand square feet of floor space. The company recently invented a new and more modern type of glassworking machine, of an advanced type and automatic in operation, which will revolutionize the business.

On October 9, 1894, Mr. O'Neill was united in marriage to Miss Marion F. Brown, of Fostoria, Ohio, and they are the parents of a son, Wilson M., who was born in Fostoria, September 11, 1895. He attended the public schools of Fostoria and after graduating from high school entered Culver Military Academy at Culver, Indiana. In June, 1917, he enlisted in the One Hundred and Twelfth Ammunition Train of the Ohio National Guard. He was sent for training to Montgomery, Alabama, where he remained for three months, fol-

lowed by three months at San Antonio, Texas. He was then sent to France, where he served for seventeen months, during which he participated in the fighting in the St. Mihiel and Verdun sectors. He was honorably discharged at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio, and at once became associated with his father in the manufacture of glassworking machinery. He spent six years in Europe in the interest of the O'Neill Machine Company, establishing branch offices in London, Paris, Brussels and Berlin. He is a member of the Masonic order, in which he has attained the thirty-second degree of of the Scottish Rite; the Beta Phi Sigma college fraternity, the Sylvania Golf Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He was married on October 5, 1917, to Miss Mildred Kinker, a daughter of W. J. and Isabelle (Sawdy) Kinker, the former of whom is identified with the Zehmer Packing Company.

Frank O'Neill has lived an active and useful life, devoting his energies to work of a constructive nature, in which he has made a notable advance over previous attainments in his special line, and in business circles he is regarded as a man of unusual capacity for accomplishment. He is cordial and unassuming in manner, enjoys a wide acquaintance and commands the respect of all who know him. He is a member of Toledo Club; Sylvania Golf Club and the Elks, and is also a member of the Collingwood Presbyterian Church.

HIRAM BLOOMER, Jr.

Hiram Bloomer, Jr., is the Toledo agency director of the New York Life Insurance Company and has devoted twenty-seven years to the service of that financial institution. He was born in Brooklyn, New York, December 14, 1875, a son of Hiram and Fannie T. (Skinner) Bloomer. His grandfather, who also bore the name of Hiram Bloomer, followed the occupation of farming and was a resident of Ovid, New York. He was a Baptist in religious faith and gave his political support to the republican party. His son Hiram was born February 13, 1842, in Ovid and during the Civil war served in the Three Hundred and Seventeenth Regiment of New York Volunteer Infantry, holding the rank of first lieuten-

ant. Afterward he was a custom tailor of New York city and engaged in the same business at Interlaken, New York, there remaining until his demise on the 15th of July, 1910. At one time he was a member of the board of supervisors of the town of Covert, New York, to which office he was elected on the republican ticket, and his life was governed by the teachings of the Baptist church. Mrs. Fannie Bloomer was born in Schuyler county, New York, September 3, 1841, and still resides in Interlaken. Her parents were Joseph L. and Elizabeth (Terry) Skinner, pioneers of Schuyler county. Her father was a native of Connecticut and devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits. He was a stanch democrat but never aspired to political office.

Hiram Bloomer, Jr., obtained his early education in New York city and attended the high school at Interlaken. In New York city he became an employe of the American News Company, with which he spent nine years, acting as a floor salesman and also working in the library of the firm. On the expiration of that period he assumed the duties of assistant cashier in a New York city office of the New York Life Insurance Company and later was promoted to the position of cashier, thus serving in New York city, Utica, Buffalo, Syracuse and Binghamton, New York; Detroit, Michigan; Toronto and Montreal, Canada; Atlanta, Georgia; and Cleveland, Ohio. He was next made reinstator for the company in the United States and Canada and afterward did field work in the Cleveland office. On the 1st of August, 1914, he was appointed agency organizer at Toledo and was promoted to Detroit, January 1, 1915, as agency director. On the 1st of November, 1916, he opened the branch office in Toledo and has since been agency director in this city. He has a highly specialized knowledge of the life insurance business, and his efforts in behalf of the corporation have been manifestly resultant.

On September 21, 1901, in the Calvary Baptist church of New York city, Mr. Bloomer was married by the Rev. Robert Stewart MacArthur, D. D., to Miss Anna M. Wells, who was born in the town of Johnson, Rhode Island, and received her education at Providence. Her parents, Nelson and

Eliza (Wilbur) Wells, were life-long residents of that state, where the father engaged in farming.

Mr. and Mrs. Bloomer adhere to the Baptist faith, and he is allied with the republican party. He is an ex-president of the Toledo Life Insurance Managers' Club and also belongs to the Toledo Association of Life Underwriters. His Masonic affiliations are with Farmerville Lodge, No. 183, F. & A. M., at Interlaken, New York; Toledo Chapter, No. 161, R. A. M.; Toledo Council, No. 33, R. & S. M.; St. Omar Commandery, No. 59, K. T.; and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also identified with Seneca Lodge, No. 694, I. O. O. F., and turns to motoring and the collecting of autographs for diversion. Each step in his career has been an upward one, bringing him a broader outlook and wider opportunities.

JUDGE ARTHUR W. OVERMYER

Arthur W. Overmyer, of Fremont, has honored Sandusky county through his capable public services in various capacities and as judge of the court of common pleas has proven an able, fair and conscientious jurist, commanding the uniform confidence and respect of the people of his county. Judge Overmyer was born in Washington township, Sandusky county, Ohio, on the 31st of May, 1879, and is a son of Barnhart B. and Mary M. (Walborn) Overmyer. The family has long been established in this country, his ancestry being traced back to John George Overmyer, who came to the United States from Baden, Germany, in 1751, and settled in Pennsylvania. Barnhart B. Overmyer was born in Washington township, Sandusky county, Ohio, in 1840, and lived all of his life in this locality. He was a man of ability and character and capably filled various public offices, serving for two terms as a member of the board of county commissioners. To him and his wife were born five children, namely: Arthur W.; Frank, who is engaged in the contracting business; John C., formerly county treasurer of Sandusky county, and now a civil engineer; Robert L., who died in 1902; and Mrs. Emma R. Auxter, a widow.

Arthur W. Overmyer attended the district schools of

Washington township, and later the law department of Ohio Northern University, at Ada, from which he was graduated. He was admitted to the bar of Ohio in December, 1902, and entered upon the practice of his profession in Fremont. From 1903 to 1910 he served as secretary of the Sandusky County Fair Association, and was clerk of the city board of health from 1907 to 1910. He was city solicitor of Fremont from 1909 to 1913, and in 1914 was elected to congress from the thirteenth congressional district. So satisfactory was his service in that body that he was reelected and served two terms, with great credit to his ability and faithfulness. On his retirement from office he resumed the practice of his profession in Fremont, in which he continued until April 10, 1926, when, on the death of Judge John T. Garver, he was appointed to fill the vacancy on the bench of the common pleas court, and in the following November he was elected to fill out the term, which will expire February 10, 1931. A marked tribute to his high standing among the people of his county was the fact that he was elected without opposition, and his record as a jurist has fully upheld the judgment of the people in his election.

On June 17, 1903, Judge Overmyer was united in marriage to Miss Nina Zelden Preston, of Hardin county, Ohio, and they are the parents of a son, Richard Preston, who was born December 18, 1904, and is now state editor of the Indianapolis Star. In his political views Judge Overmyer is a democrat and has long taken an active and effective part in public affairs. He is a forceful and eloquent public speaker and for the past thirty-five years has made addresses throughout Sandusky county, and during the important political campaigns has been in great demand through the state. He made many effective speeches throughout Ohio in support of the last Liberty Loan drive and has never been found wanting in his support of those things which are calculated to promote the public welfare. He is a member and past exalted ruler of Fremont Lodge, No. 169, B. P. O. E., which he has on numerous occasions represented in the grand lodge. He served two years, 1919-20, as a member of the board of education and in the latter year, as president of the board, had the unusual privilege of signing his son's graduation diploma. He

and his wife are earnest members of Grace Lutheran church of Fremont and they give generous support to all worthy benevolent and civic causes. Judge Overmyer possesses to a marked degree the judicial temperament and all who have had business in his court, either as attorneys or litigants, are warm in their praise of his high sense of justice, his knowledge of the law and his determination to deal fairly with all who appear before him. Personally he is a man of cordial and unaffected manner and commands the sincere esteem of all who have been associated with him in any way.

ADINO FARRISTER FILES

Formerly an outstanding figure in mercantile circles of Toledo, Adino Farrister Files is now a leader of industrial progress in Maumee and has become widely and favorably known as the manufacturer of "Buttergilt," a product of especial value to the butter and oleomargarine trade. He was born in Goes Station, Greene county, Ohio, December 17, 1866, a son of Amos Whipple and Sylvia Ann (Clark) Files, and is of English lineage in both the paternal and maternal lines. The father was born in Xenia, Ohio, August 26, 1836, and was related to Elias Howe through his mother, who was a cousin of the noted inventor of the sewing machine. Amos W. Files served for three years in the Union army and participated in twenty-two battles. Among the more notable engagements were those of Winchester, Spotsylvania and the Wilderness, and he was also at Appomattox when General Lee surrendered. Mrs. Amos W. Files was born in Orneville, Maine, November 29, 1843, and was related to the Wentworths in both the new and old worlds. Among the members of the Wentworth family of England were Queen Victoria, Lord Byron and other illustrious personages.

When Adino F. Files was about a year old his parents removed to Holland, Ohio, where he acquired his early education, and remained there until he was a young man of twenty, with the exception of about three years, which he spent in Wauseon and Bowling Green, Ohio. His parents left the last named city before he completed the curriculum of the high

school and he had no opportunity to attend college but has furthered his education by reading and study. During 1886-87 he was a clerk in a drug store at Garden City, Kansas, and in 1888 came to Maumee, Ohio. Early in 1889 he opened a drug store here and later, from 1893 until 1900, was connected with Churchill & Company, of Toledo, well known grain dealers. For eight years thereafter he was engaged in the grain business in Muncie, Indiana, as a member of the firm of Woodbury & Files, owners of a line of elevators, and from 1909 to 1914 conducted similar enterprises in Evansville and Indianapolis, that state. During the period from 1915 until 1923 Mr. Files successfully managed a chain of retail oleomargarine stores, maintaining his headquarters in Toledo, and he utilized that experience to good advantage in the development of his present business as a manufacturer of butter color in bulk and in small packets for the oleomargarine and creamery trade. Mr. Files has copyrighted the name "Buttergilt," under which the dry color is sold, and both the product and the machinery for production are covered by patents. Working along original lines, he has created the only industry of the kind in the United States and in its conduct brings to bear the broad vision, the forcefulness and business acumen of the successful executive.

Mr. Files was married July 31, 1890, in Maumee to Miss Ella Boyd, who passed away January 13, 1925. She was a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal church and held several offices in the Eastern Star. On the 20th of July, 1927, Mr. Files was married in Marion, Ohio, to Mrs. Loretta Tilton, the widow of Dr. N. F. Tilton. Mrs. Files was graduated from the Ohio Wesleyan University and previous to her marriage was a teacher in the Marion high school. She is a member of the Advance Club of Marion, the Shakespearean Club of Toledo and is active in church and Sunday school work. Mr. and Mrs. Files are affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal church and he is now teaching the young people's class in the Sunday school. He is a stanch adherent of the republican party but has never entered the political arena. However, he has devoted much time to civic affairs and is serving for the third four-year term on the Maumee board of education, of which he was president for two terms, each of two years'

duration, accomplishing much important and valuable work in that connection. Mr. Files belongs to the Exchange Club and is prominent in Masonic activities. In 1921 he was made master of Northern Light Lodge at Maumee and is a past high priest of Fort Miami Chapter, R. A. M. He is also connected with the Eastern Star and is a past worthy patron of Maumee Chapter. His integrity, ability and public spirit are well known, and his influence upon the life of his community has been of the highest order.

CHARLES A. GROSS

One of Bellevue's enterprising and progressive business men is Charles A. Gross, president and general manager of the Gross Lumber Company, which is one of the oldest and most important business enterprises of this locality, having been in existence for forty-six years. Mr. Gross was born here, in 1882, and is a son of Martin and Phillipine (Schwenk) Gross. His father was an early business man of this locality, having been engaged in the furniture and hardwood lumber business here for some years. In 1882 he sold his business to John Wise and, forming a partnership with Henry Webber, established the present lumber business. This proved successful and eventually he bought Mr. Webber's interest in the business which, in 1898, was incorporated as the Gross Lumber Company.

Charles A. Gross pursued his education in the public schools of Bellevue, graduating from high school, after which he spent four years, 1900-1903, in an officers' training school of the United States Army. Since that time, with the exception of about five years, he has devoted his attention to the Gross Lumber Company, in the success of which he has been a large factor. This concern handles all kinds of lumber and dimension stuff, various kinds of mill work and a full line of builders' supplies, and also maintains a lumber yard in Clyde, Sandusky county. The business has enjoyed a steady and healthy growth and the company enjoys a wide reputation for its honorable business methods. They sell to both the wholesale and retail trade, handle from seven hun-

dred to eight hundred carloads of material a year, employ thirty men and operate five trucks. The present officers of the company are Charles A. Gross, president and general manager; Martin F. Gross, secretary and treasurer; and William G. Gross, vice president. The first named is also a director of the Bellevue Kraut & Pickling Company.

In 1908 Charles A. Gross was united in marriage to Miss Myrtle L. Feltz, of Fremont, Ohio. He is a stanch republican in his poltical views and is keenly interested in everything relating to the progress and prosperity of his community. He is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Breeze Point Fishing Club, and he attends the Lutheran church, of which Mrs. Gross is an active member. He has been successful in material affairs and has exemplified a high type of citizenship and well merits the respect and esteem which are uniformly accorded him by his fellowmen.

WILLIAM B. GARDINER

An experienced salesman and a capable young business man, William B. Gardiner is coming rapidly to the fore in the field of life insurance and typifies the spirit of enterprise in Toledo. He was born in Warsaw, New York, August 20, 1891, a son of Dr. Edward D. and Alice (Bentley) Gardiner. The father was born in Hamilton, New York, December 13, 1853, and completed his education in Colgate College, which conferred upon him the degree of D. D. S. in 1873. For a quarter of a century he followed his profession in his native town and in 1900 located in Toledo. He was long regarded as one of the leading dentists of the city and remained here until his demise on the 28th of March, 1926. He was commander of Anthony Wayne Post of Toledo, Sons of the American Revolution. He was a Knight Templar Mason, a zealous member of the Ashland Avenue Baptist church, and gave his political support to the republican party. Mrs. Gardiner, who was born in St. Louis, Missouri, still retains her home in Toledo. She is well known as a playwright and also as a dramatic reader. During the World war she

was a member of the speakers' bureau of Toledo, being under the direct supervision of Herbert Hoover, and traveled from coast to coast, making speeches in favor of food conservation and the Red Cross, Liberty Loan and other drives instituted by the government at that time. She was president of the Literary Club of Toledo in 1896 and is an ex-president of the Woman's Educational Club and a past regent of Ursula Wolcott Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Mrs. Gardiner's father, Wilbur G. Bentley, was colonel of the Ninth Regiment of New York Cavalry and lost a leg while in the service of the Union. He was a member of the Loyal Legion and held office in the order. Colonel Bentley engaged in the practice of law in St. Louis and Chicago and was an attorney of high standing. He was an adherent of the republican party and a Baptist in religious faith.

William B. Gardiner attended the grammar and high schools of Toledo and afterward was a commercial traveler for the American National Company of this city, manufacturers of children's vehicles. From 1908 until 1922 he was with the firm, covering the territory south of the Mason and Dixon line, and he then became an automobile salesman in the Toledo office of the Willys-Overland Company, where he spent two years. Since 1924 he has been special agent at Toledo for the New York Life Insurance Company, discharging his duties with customary thoroughness and efficiency, and is one of the most capable and successful representatives of this old and reliable corporation.

On the 7th of June, 1920, Mr. Gardiner was married in Toledo to Miss Marcella C. Textor, who was born April 25, 1899, in this city and is a graduate of the Waite high school. Her father, Christian Textor, was an Alsatian and left Germany in his youth, becoming a prominent merchant of East Toledo. He was a dealer in dry goods, groceries and hardware and conducted several stores in this city, remaining here until his demise. In religious faith he was a Christian Scientist, and his political support was given to the republican party. The mother, Magdalina (Rodemich) Textor, was born in Elmore, Ohio, and passed away December 19, 1927, in Fort Wayne, Indiana, at the home of a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardiner have one child, Joyce Virginia, who was born January 17, 1924.

Mr. Gardiner supports the candidates of the republican party and is affiliated with the Ashland Avenue Baptist church, while his wife is a Christian Scientist. During 1917 and 1918 he furthered the sale of Liberty bonds and has also been active in the Community Chest drives. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, Rubicon Lodge, No. 237, F. & A. M., the Riverby Hills Golf Club and the Lions Club. Many of his leisure hours are spent on the links, and he also enjoys bowling. Mr. Gardiner is a young man of resolute purpose and strong character, always courteous and considerate of the rights of others, and his worth is attested by a wide circle of steadfast friends.

HON. JOHN BURTON COONROD

Judge John Burton Coonrod, for twenty-six years probate judge of Sandusky county, has rendered a service which has stamped him as a man of more than ordinary ability and probity of character, and no resident of Fremont commands the public confidence to a greater degree. Judge Coonrod was born in Sandusky county, July 13, 1866, and is a son of Henry and Nancy (Ellis) Coonrod. His paternal grandfather, John Coonrod, was a soldier in the war of 1812, serving at Fort Seneca. In 1821 he came to Sandusky county and entered land, being one of the first to buy government land here after it was offered for sale, and therefore the Coonrod family is one of the oldest in this section of the state.

John B. Coonrod received his education in the public schools of Fremont, after which he took a course in the Toledo Business College. He taught school for about ten years, and later served as captain and marine engineer on the great lakes, and still has licenses as captain and chief engineer for steamers on the Great Lakes. In 1897 he was appointed deputy clerk of the probate court. In 1902 he was elected to the bench of the probate court, on which he has served continuously to the present time, being now on his seventh term,

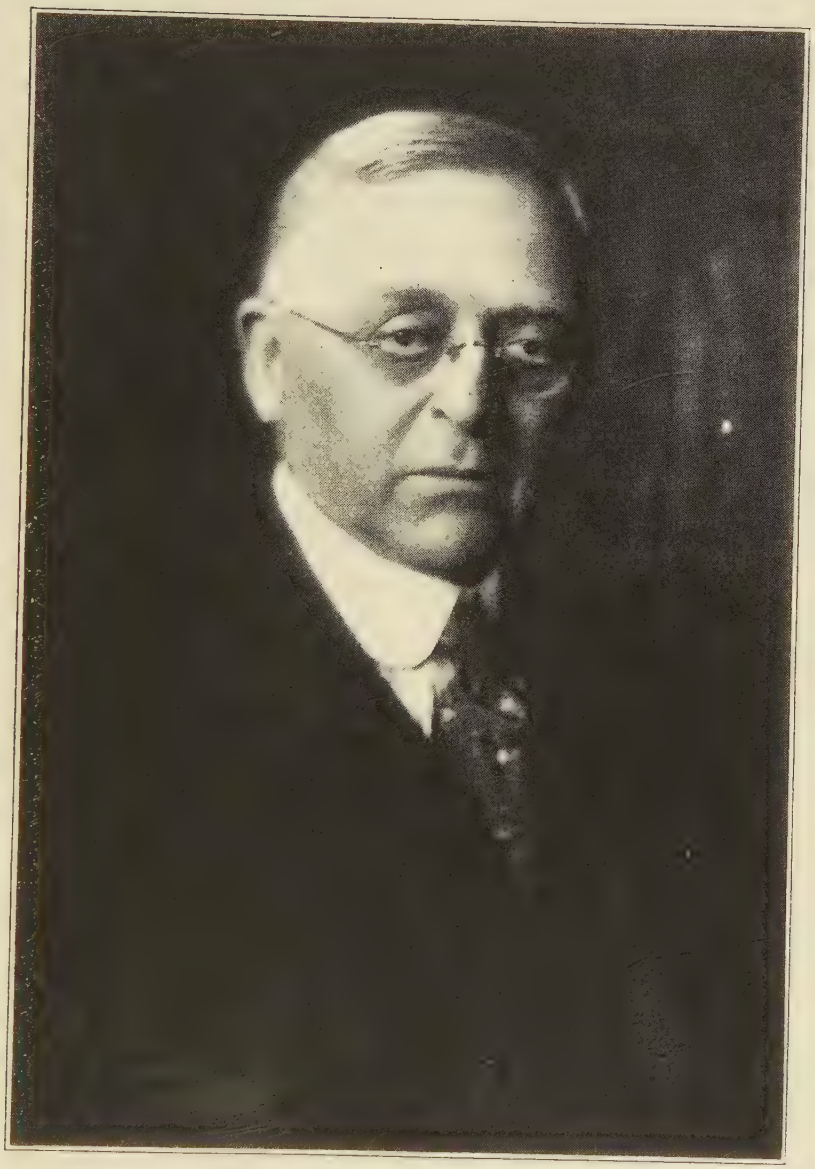
and is the oldest man in an appointive office in the state of Ohio in length of service. He is regarded as well qualified in every way for this responsible position and has discharged his duties in a manner that has won for him the approbation and praise of all who have had business in his court. He has served continuously for seven years as president of the Probate Judges Association of Ohio.

In 1891 Judge Coonrod was united in marriage to Miss Elnora Shepler, of Port Clinton, Ohio, and they are the parents of three children, Gladys H., Gertrude and Haldon. Mrs. Coonrod is a member of the Protestant Episcopal church. The Judge is a democrat in his political views and has always taken a helpful interest in public affairs. He is a member of Brainard Lodge, F. & A. M.; Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks; the Modern Woodmen of America, and Woodmen of the World. He is a trustee of the Masonic Temple Association, was for six years a trustee of the Memorial Hospital Association, is president of the Sandusky County Christmas Seal Committee, and is a member of the board of trustees of the Birchard Library. He took a leading part in promoting the various local activities during the late war and was a member and secretary of the Liberty Loan committee. He has shown a helpful interest in everything pertaining to the welfare and advancement of his community and is regarded as one of its best citizens.

CHARLES A. SEIDERS

In 1882 Charles A. Seiders became a member of the Ohio bar and practiced his profession in this state up to the time of his death, which occurred July 11, 1929. In November, 1897, he came to Toledo with a background of fifteen years of successful practice and experience, and he made steady progress until public opinion accorded him a prominent place among the representatives of the legal profession here.

Pennsylvania claimed Mr. Seiders as a native son, his birth having occurred in East Texas, Lehigh county, June 1, 1857. His parents were Benjamin and Deborah (Wisser)



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Seiders. The father was born in the Keystone state and was a representative of one of the old families of Pennsylvania. Removing to Ohio, he settled in Seneca county in 1866 and there resided until his death. He was a carpenter by trade and not only followed building operations but also agricultural pursuits. He passed away in December, 1887, at the age of seventy years. His wife was born in Lehigh county, Pennsylvania, and also represented one of the old families of that state, founded there in 1711. One of her grandfathers, David Hiser, was a soldier of the French and Indian war and also of the Revolutionary war. He was six feet and four inches in his stocking feet and lived to the venerable age of ninety years. Mrs. Deborah Seiders passed away in Toledo in 1905 at the age of seventy years. By her marriage she had become the mother of two sons and two daughters.

Charles A. Seiders, who was the second in order of birth, pursued his education in the district schools and in the high school and academy at Green Springs and at Republic, both in Seneca county, Ohio. When he was nine years of age the family home was established at Flat Rock in Seneca county, where they lived for two years and then removed to a farm in Adams township, that county. When he was sixteen years of age a further removal was made to another farm in the same township. From that time forward Charles A. Seiders made his own way in the world. He always enjoyed reading and eagerly perused such books as he could borrow from the neighbors and from his teachers, and as opportunity offered he subscribed for different magazines and weekly papers. He placed his first subscription with the Cincinnati Weekly Times and the first copy of the paper which he received, and which always remained in his possession, contained an account of the Chicago fire of October 9, 1871. It was his desire to become a member of the bar and to this end he read law independently at Green Springs. He was twenty years of age when he established a paper called the Green Springs Times, which he conducted for ten months. He never gave up the idea, however, of becoming a lawyer and completed his law studies in the office and under the direction of the firm of Lutes & Lutes at Tiffin, Ohio. He had to make his way unaided throughout this entire period, and it was not

until March, 1882, that he was able to complete his studies and pass the required examination for admission to the bar.

Mr. Seiders began practice in Tiffin, where he continued for a year, and in April, 1883, he opened a law office in Paulding, where he remained until November 15, 1897. After a few years' residence in Paulding he became the attorney for the New York, Chicago & St. Louis Railway Company in Paulding county and for twenty-five years continued in that service. His private practice, too, grew in volume and importance, and he had many clients not only from Paulding but also from surrounding counties. In the fall of 1888 he was made local counsel for the Cincinnati, Jackson & Mackinac Railway Company, which he continued to represent until his removal to Toledo, where he remained continuously from 1897 until his death. Here he entered the office of Doyle & Lewis, well known attorneys, with whom he continued until January 1, 1902, when he began practicing alone. He specialized in railroad and corporation law and for over twenty years he served as an attorney for the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railway Company.

At Tiffin, Ohio, on the 1st of May, 1883, Mr. Seiders was united in marriage to Miss Edith Sams, a native of Hillsboro, Highland county, Ohio, and a daughter of Alexander Brennan and Marianne (Stuart) Sams, who were representatives of early families of Highland county, Ohio, and were among the eight people who established the first Episcopal church at Hillsboro, this state. At the time of their marriage Mrs. Seiders was practicing law in Tiffin as a partner of Miss Florence Cronise. Following the removal of Mr. and Mrs. Seiders to Paulding they both practiced law there and so continued until their removal to Toledo. Mrs. Seiders was the fourth child of Alexander Brennan and Marianne (Stuart) Sams, both of English birth, her mother having been a lineal descendant of the royal house of Stuart. Isaac Sams, the grandfather of Mrs. Seiders, came from England to the new world in 1824 and established Rock Hill Academy, a preparatory school for boys, at Ellicott City, Maryland, the building now being used as a monastery. In 1834 he removed to New York city, where he conducted a school, but overwork impaired his health and he acquired one thousand

acres of land adjoining Hillsboro in Highland county, Ohio, to which he removed with his family. After recovering his health he established a boys' academy there and conducted it for a number of years. He served for an extended period on the board of county examiners, and was always deeply interested in the cause of education. He and his two sons, who were the uncle and the father of Mrs. Seiders, took a leading part in organizing the Episcopal church of Hillsboro and were active in erecting its house of worship there in 1853. A memorial window in this church contains the names of Isaac Sams and his two sons. He served as senior warden of the church from the time of its establishment until his death December 1, 1878, and his son, Alexander B. Sams, was secretary of the vestry from the organization until his removal to Tiffin, Ohio, in 1869. He had been educated as a pharmacist in New York city and there resided until 1848, when he came to Ohio. After his marriage he became a resident of Hillsboro, devoting a part of his time to the improvement of the old homestead farm and a part to the hardware business. In 1869 he purchased a drug store in Tiffin, Ohio, where he established his home and continued to reside until 1893, when he passed away, having survived his wife for eight years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Sams were people of liberal education, and their daughter Edith was given excellent educational opportunities. She became a member of the bar in December, 1881, being the first woman admitted to practice by the Ohio supreme court. Save for the period when her children were small she continued in active practice until after the removal of the family to Toledo in December, 1898, having practiced for about a year in Paulding after her husband had opened his office in Toledo. To Mr. and Mrs. Seiders were born two children: Marian D., the wife of Dr. W. Frank Maxwell of Toledo and the mother of a son, Gregory W. Maxwell; and Seth who is engaged in the advertising business in Chicago. He, too, is married and has a daughter, Mary Elizabeth.

Mr. Seiders held membership in the Unitarian church and for many years served on the board of trustees as a member and as its president. He belonged to various clubs and civic organizations, including the Toledo Club, the Toledo Com-

merce Club, the Toledo Automobile Club, the Toledo Museum of Art, the American Hostorical Association, the Illinois Historical Association, and the Maumee Valley Pioneer and Historical Association. Mr. Seiders was a student of the life of Abraham Lincoln, and for some years previous to his death was engaged in collecting material for a volume on the formative period of the political life of the Great Emancipator, which he expected to publish. He was always particularly interested in history and possessed a most extensive library of historical works. He enjoyed delving deep into the past and in tracing the record of development and progress down through the ages. He was of a studious nature, constantly broadening his knowledge by reading, study and observation, and maintained an open mind toward those facts and truths which research and investigation are continually bringing to light. Mrs. Seiders is a member of the Unitarian church and also holds membership in the Toledo Women's Association, the Shakespeare Class and the Women's Educational Club.

REV. HENRY A. BUSHKUHL

Rev. Henry A. Bushkuhl, pastor of St. Aloysius' Roman Catholic church of Bowling Green, is a native of St. Louis, Missouri, and a son of Theodore and Gertrude Bushkuhl. He attended the parochial and public schools of St. Louis and next attended St. Francis' Seminary in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he completed a classical course. His philosophical and theological studies were pursued in St. Mary's Seminary at Baltimore, Maryland, and on October 15, 1913, he was ordained to the priesthood. He was sent to Fremont, Ohio, as an assistant pastor and later to Edgerton, this state. On August 20, 1915, he took charge of St. Elizabeth's parish at Richfield Center and since March, 1923, has been pastor of the Church of St. Aloysius in Bowling Green. He is an earnest, systematic worker and under his able guidance the influence of the church is constantly broadening. A true friend and counselor, Father Bushkuhl is loved by his parishioners and his sincerity, public spirit and strength of character

have won for him the esteem of his fellow citizens, irrespective of their religious affiliations. The Kiwanis club numbers him among its members.

HON. ALBERT E. CULBERT

Accounted one of the leaders of the legal profession in northwestern Ohio, with a splendid record as a jurist and legislator, and recognized as one who would worthily and creditably fill any office to which he might be chosen, Judge Albert E. Culbert, of Fremont, has honored Sandusky county by his life and services and is regarded as one of its representative men. He was born on a farm in Sandusky county, March 27, 1862, and is a son of Elijah and Eliza (Day) Culbert. His father was a native of Ireland, while his mother, who was a native of Canada, was of English parentage on the paternal side. To them were born eight children, five sons and three daughters, of whom three sons are deceased.

Albert E. Culbert attended the public schools, graduating from the Fremont high school and from Fostoria College, where he prepared for teaching. For twelve years he taught in the district schools of Sandusky and Ottawa counties during the winters, his summers being spent on the farm. Having determined to devote his life to the practice of law, he took up the study of Kent and Blackstone in the office of Buckland & Love, in Fremont, and in 1894 was admitted to practice by the supreme court. Shortly afterward he was appointed deputy probate judge under Judge John I. Garn, and served three years. On retiring from that position he entered upon the general practice of law, to which he has applied himself closely to the present time, except during the period of his service as judge of the court of appeals of the sixth district, to which he was elected in the fall of 1926 to fill out the unexpired term of Judge Kinkade, who was elevated to the state supreme court. Although not an active candidate and his name not appearing on the ballot, he received a splendid vote and was elected by a decisive margin, the voters writing his name on the ballot. Though serving

but a comparatively short time, he made a splendid record as a judge of that court. In financial circles he is known as a director of the Sandusky County Savings & Loan Company.

Judge Culbert was married in 1888 to Miss Mary Rose, of Oak Harbor, Ohio, who died May 21, 1916. She took an active interest in civic and social affairs, was a member of the Ladies of the Maccabees and belonged to the Methodist Episcopal church. To that union were born nine children: Chester A., who is now thirty-seven years old, and is associated with his father in the practice of law, under the firm name of Culbert & Culbert, graduated from the Fremont high school, studied law under his father, and made a very creditable record at the bar examination, standing sixth in a class of two hundred and fifty-two; Estella M. is the next of the family; Iva is the wife of Ed Jurguns; Ralph P., who is thirty-three years old, is in business in Arkansas; Harold E., thirty-one years of age, is chief inspector in the automobile department of the secretary of state's office; Paul A., aged twenty-six years, is a construction engineer with the Ohio Bell Telephone Company and lives in Columbus; Donald, aged twenty-three years, is manager of a Woolworth store at Traverse City, Michigan; Marion, aged eighteen years, is at home; and Raymond died in 1918, aged sixteen years. In 1922 Judge Culbert was married to Miss Rhoda Brady, who is active in social affairs, is a member of the Ladies of the Maccabees and the Presbyterian church.

Politically Judge Culbert is an ardent republican, which fact has undoubtedly militated against his official preferment, as he lives in a democratic stronghold. However, his ability and strength of character have received distinctive recognition on the part of his fellow citizens, for while living in Sandusky township he was elected to various offices on the republican ticket, overcoming the normal democratic majority by his personal popularity. In 1904 he was elected city solicitor of Fremont, served as a member of the board of education and was elected clerk of the board four successive terms. In 1914 he was proposed by the Sandusky County Republican Club for the nomination for secretary of state. In 1920 he was elected to the state senate from the thirtieth district and as a member of that body took a prominent and

leading part in its deliberations. He was active in opposing useless and vicious legislation and as chairman of the penitentiary probe committee was, together with other members of the committee, responsible for many of the reforms and improvements brought about in the management of the state penal institutions. In 1928 he was a candidate for the republican nomination for lieutenant-governor. He is a member of the Sandusky County Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. Fraternally he is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of the Maccabees. In the last named he has received distinctive preferment, having served for several years as great commander of the Ohio Great Camp. He has also served as commander of Chester A. Buckland Camp of the Sons of Veterans. He has in the fullest measure met the requirements of every position which he has filled and in his life has exemplified the highest type of American citizenship and manhood, standing "four square to every wind that blows," so that throughout the community in which he has spent his life he commands the unqualified confidence and respect of his fellowmen, regardless of politics, creed or profession.

LEONARD HALL GEROW

Imagination is a priceless crystal in the vision of the man who achieves, and this quality, combined with the creative instinct and a deep interest in and love for his work, has brought Leonard Hall Gerow to the fore in his profession, which he has followed successfully in Toledo for over ten years, establishing an enviable reputation as an architect. He was born in Milton, Ulster county, New York, May 29, 1889, and is a son of James A. and Henrietta W. (Vail) Gerow. His forbears in the paternal line were Huguenots who migrated from France to Holland because of religious persecution, later going to England. The Americain progenitor of the family was one of the early settlers of New York, receiving a large grant of land in Orange county from

King George III, and a portion of the property is still owned by the family. James A. Gerow was born on that estate and cultivated the land for a number of years. On abandoning agricultural pursuits he turned his attention to ship building and became widely and favorably known in that connection. He has now retired from business and is living in Toledo. His wife was born in Milton, New York, of English descent.

Leonard H. Gerow, their only son, completed a course in the high school at Newburgh, New York, and in 1909 was graduated from Centenary College at Hackettstown, New Jersey. Later he matriculated in Cornell University at Ithaca, New York, and received the degree of Bachelor of Architecture from that institution in 1913. For ten months thereafter he filled a responsible position in the office of Percival M. Lloyd, a prominent architect of Poughkeepsie, New York, and was next in the service of Eugene Hance at Wilmington, Delaware, thus gaining practical experience in his profession. On the 29th of March, 1915, he arrived in Toledo and immediately found employment in the office of George Rheinfrank, with whom he continued until January 1, 1917, when he began his independent career as an architect. In 1922 he formed a partnership with C. G. Conklin and has since been the senior member of the firm of Gerow & Conklin, occupying a suite of offices on the third floor of the Spitzer building. Mr. Gerow started the business with a small capital, and his first assignment was the designing of a residence for Dr. George A. Jones. From this nucleus has been developed one of the leading architectural firms in Toledo and the business is steadily expanding. The partners specialize in the designing of fine homes, a field in which they excel, and also drew the plans for the West Toledo Branch Library building, their latest achievement. Their work is of high character and constitutes an important factor in Toledo's improvement and adornment.

Mr. Gerow was married August 3, 1922, in Toledo to Miss Alma Klappich, a native of the city and a daughter of Samuel and Carrie (Schaefer) Klappich, the former now deceased. The grandmother of Mrs. Gerow was a native of Germany and when a child came to the United States with her parents, who were among the earliest and most prominent settlers of

Toledo. She attained the advanced age of eighty-seven years, passing away in 1928. Mr. and Mrs. Gerow have two children: Leonard H., Jr., born April 10, 1925, and William Carl, born May 15, 1929, both in Toledo.

Mr. Gerow is a member of the Highland Meadows Golf Club and the local chapter of the American Institute of Architects. In politics he is a republican, and his religious belief is indicated by his affiliation with St. Mathew's Engilsh Lutheran church. Although young in years he has accomplished much and is destined to go far in his profession because of his tireless activity and pronounced ability.

JOHN H. LINCOLN

One of Wood county's best known citizens is John H. Lincoln, who for over thirty years has been engaged in the drug business in Bowling Green and for the past sixteen years has been cashier of the Wood County Savings Bank. Mr. Lincoln was born here on the 3d of January, 1874, and is a son of Dr. Joseph C. and Emma (Norris) Lincoln. His paternal grandparents were Leonard and Ada (Boughton) Lincoln, both of whom were of old Revolutionary stock, their families having settled in New York state in an early day. Leonard Lincoln and his wife were born in Albany in the same year. In 1844 they went to Wisconsin, locating at Watertown, where Mrs. Lincoln died in 1852. Mr. Lincoln then moved to Winona, Minnesota, and ten years later to Marshalltown, Iowa.

Joseph C. Lincoln was born at Albany, New York, May 22, 1844, and was the youngest of two brothers, the other being Charles, who died soon after the close of the Civil war from the effects of long confinement in Confederate prison camps. Joseph C. Lincoln had already begun the study of medicine when the Civil war began. Later, believing his brother dead, he recruited three hundred and forty-seven men for the First Minnesota Regiment and joined the command at Camp Stone as assistant surgeon. In the battle of Fair Oaks Dr. Lincoln was severely wounded and was confined for several months in a hospital in New York city. On

his recovery he returned to Minnesota, and later entered Lawrence University, at Appleton, Wisconsin, attending three years. After reading medicine a year with Dr. Ford, of Winona, Minnesota, he entered Rush Medical College of Chicago, and was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1871. He entered upon the practice of his profession in Franklin county, Iowa, but soon came to Ohio, locating near Fostoria, where he remained until 1873. He then came to Bowling Green, where he built up a large and lucrative practice, which engaged his attention until his death. He passed away in March, 1926, at the age of eighty-two years. He was a republican in his political views and took an active interest in local public affairs. He was a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Grand Army of the Republic, and all of the medical societies. In addition to his medical practice, he also owned a drug store. He married Miss Emma Norris, of Fostoria, who was born in 1854 and died in 1883, leaving two children, John H. and Mrs. Eudora L. Harvey, who died in 1907. For his second wife Dr. Lincoln chose Miss Nettie Willard.

John H. Lincoln attended the public schools, and after his graduation from high school entered the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, from which he was graduated in 1897. On his return to Bowling Green he entered the drug business, in which he has continued to the present time, now having a half interest in the Lincoln & Dirlam drug store. In 1912 he became cashier of the Wood County Savings Bank, which position he is still filling in an able and satisfactory manner, being also a director of that institution. He is also president of the Wood County Stone and Construction Company.

In October, 1902, Mr. Lincoln was united in marriage to Miss Effie DeHart, of Bowling Green, and they are the parents of two children, Josephine, the wife of Verl H. Coller, and Virginia. Mr. Lincoln gives his political support to the republican party, while his religious connection is with the Presbyterian church, of which he is president of the board of trustees. Fraternally, he is a member of the Wood County Lodge, No. 112, F. & A. M.; Crystal Chapter, No. 157, R. A. M.; the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent Protective Order

of Elks, the Royal Arcanum and the Woodmen of the World, and also belongs to the Kiwanis Club and the Commercial Club, of which he is a past president. He has been treasurer of the Wood County Fair Association for twenty years, is president of the Wood County Finance Company and is a member of the Izaak Walton Club, finding his recreation in fishing and hunting. Mr. Lincoln has been active in his efforts to promote the general welfare of his community and is numbered among its most progressive and public spirited citizens, while his personal qualities have gained for him an enviable standing among his fellowmen.

WILLIAM H. SCHWARTZ

William H. Schwartz, one of Fremont's leading merchants, has for many years conducted a successful grocery business and is now also at the head of a large and prosperous wholesale candy concern. He is a native son of Sandusky county, born in 1881, and is of German descent, his father, Leonard Schwartz, and his grandfather, Christian Schwartz, having been natives of Germany, from which country they came to the United States in an early day.

William H. Schwartz received his early education in the district schools near his father's farm and took an academic course at Ada, Ohio. In 1900 he went to work on the Lake Shore electric railroad as a station operator, continuing in that employment until 1912, when he engaged in the retail grocery business in Fremont. This proved a successful venture and he has carried the business on to the present time, commanding a large patronage among the best people of the community. In 1926 Mr. Schwartz purchased the business of the Fremont Candy Company, manufacturers and wholesale dealers in candies and allied lines, and to the management of this enterprise he is now mainly devoting his attention. Through tireless energy and intelligent direction of his affairs, Mr. Schwartz has realized a splendid measure of success and is regarded as one of Fremont's most substantial citizens.

Mr. Schwartz was married to Miss Agnes Smith, who

died in 1925, leaving two children, Mrs. Adelia Notestine and Paul. In September, 1928, he married Miss Kathryn Whittaker, who is actively interested in the social and civic affairs of the community. In his political views Mr. Schwartz is an ardent democrat, and has been active in the support of his party and of matters affecting the welfare of his city and county for the past twenty years. He served three terms as clerk of Washington township, was a member of the city council for four years, during a part of which time he was president of that body, and served as mayor of Fremont from 1922 to 1926, proving a splendid executive and showing a genuine interest in the well being of the community. In the fall of 1928 he was nominated to represent the thirtieth senatorial district. He is chairman of the democratic county executive committee and is regarded as a man of keen judgment and great sagacity in political affairs. He is president of the Sandusky County Historical Society and is a York Rite Mason and a member of Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He also belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Chamber of Commerce and is president of the Sandusky County Red Cross Society. He attends Grace Lutheran church and gives his support to all worthy benevolent causes and to all measures for the advancement of the material, civic or moral welfare of the city or county. A man of agreeable personality, cordial and friendly in manner, he is held in the highest measure of esteem for his genuine worth as a man and citizen.

FRANK HENRY LANDWEHR

Frank H. Landwehr, secretary of the Electric Auto-Lite Company, is one of Toledo's best known business men and one whose activities bring him into a position of importance and prominence in the city's business, industrial and financial life. Mr. Landwehr was born November 8, 1888, in Toledo, Ohio, a son of Herman H. and Katherine (Borgelt) Landwehr, both of whom were natives of Hanover, Germany. Herman H. Landwehr's death occurred in Toledo, where he was for some years engaged in the retail grocery business.

In his early life in this country he had been in the employ of the Wabash Railroad and during the Civil war was engaged in the construction of bridges. He was a republican in politics and was a member of St. John's Lutheran church. His widow is still living in Toledo.

Frank Henry Landwehr was educated in the public and parochial schools of Toledo and also took correspondence courses. On leaving school he became a messenger for the New York Central Railroad in Toledo, after which he was employed in the Union Station in this city. He was employed for a time at special car transfer work and was later in the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad for two and one-half years. He then turned his attention to farming at Luckey, Wood county, Ohio, but after about a year returned to the business world as floor manager for the Lion Dry Goods Company, in Toledo, which position he resigned at the end of a year to take up clerical work with the A. Bentley & Sons Company, contractors. In 1914 he became identified with the Electric Auto-Lite Company as bookkeeper and has been connected with this concern to the present time. He learned the business from the bottom, and his advancements have come as the recognition of work well done and his capacity for assuming greater burdens and responsibilities, until today he fills the position of secretary, being also a director of the corporation. Among the various other enterprises with which Mr. Landwehr is identified, he is secretary and treasurer of the Ajax Investment Company, secretary and treasurer of the Hillcrest Building Company, secretary and treasurer of the Lucas Building Company, secretary and treasurer of the H. & G. Realty Company, secretary and treasurer of the Manhattan Building Company, secretary and treasurer of the Madison-Michigan Building Company, secretary and treasurer of the Mininger-Hoskin Building Company, secretary and treasurer of the Bennett Realty Company, secretary and treasurer of the Brown Avenue Warehouse, Inc., secretary, treasurer and director of the Bingham Stamping Company, secretary of the DeJon Electric Corporation, vice president of the City Machine & Tool Company, secretary and treasurer of the Logangear Products Company and a director of the Security Savings Bank &

Trust Company, Tubewell, Inc., of Detroit, Michigan, and the Columbus Auto Parts Company of Columbus, Ohio. He is an excellent example of the type of business man developed in the present age, quick to perceive an emergency and keenly alive to the possibilities of a business proposition.

On November 16, 1914, Mr. Landwehr was married to Miss Modeste C. Dimke, who was born in Edon, Williams county, Ohio, and is a daughter of Rev. W. P. Dimke, pastor of St. Johannes Evangelical Lutheran church in Toledo. Mrs. Landwehr, who is a college graduate, was a school teacher prior to her marriage. She is a member of the Toledo Women's Club and the Monday Musical. Mr. and Mrs. Landwehr are the parents of two children: Ruth Kathryne, born June 12, 1917; and Robert Clement, born January 14, 1925.

Mr. Landwehr is a stanch republican and takes a keen interest in the work and success of that party. He has served as a member of the county republican central committee, is a member of Ottawa Hills village council and is also a member of the Lucas county planning commission. He belongs to the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, the Kiwanis Club, the Young Men's Christian Association and the Chamber of Commerce. He and his wife are earnest members of the Augsburg Lutheran church. Mr. Landwehr's residence, at 3863 Sulphur Springs road, is one of the attractive homes in Ottawa Hills.

WILLIAM CLIFTON CARR

William Clifton Carr, who has long figured prominently in business and financial circles of Toledo, his native city, is now local manager for the nationally known investment brokerage firm of Otis & Company. He was born on the 18th of August, 1873, being the only son of Spencer D. and Martha Louise (Richards) Carr. Members of the family have for many years been leading factors in financial affairs of this city. Spencer D. Carr, at the time of his death in 1922, was the dean of Toledo bankers and chairman of the board of directors of the Commerce Guardian Trust & Savings Bank.

William C. Carr completed a high school course in Toledo

by graduation with the class of 1892 and in October of the same year made his initial step in the business world as a messenger boy in the Second National Bank. His identification with this institution covered a third of a century and he steadily worked his way upward from a minor position to one of executive control. On the 10th of January, 1905, he was advanced from the position of assistant cashier to that of cashier and later he became the first vice president. When in 1924 the Toledo Trust Company took over the Second National Bank, Mr. Carr was a vice president, and before severing his connection therewith he served for two more years in the official capacity of vice president. Since 1926 he has been city manager in Toledo for Otis & Company and has most ably directed the important interests under his control. Various business undertakings have profited by his sound judgment and wise counsel. At this time he is president and director of the Valve Bag Company of America, treasurer of the Fifty Associates Company and a director of the Security Savings Bank & Trust Company, the Toledo Steel castings Company, the Toledo Steel Tube Company and the Blade Printing & Paper Company.

At Bowling Green, Ohio, on the 18th of July, 1899, Mr. Carr was united in marriage to Miss Cora Elizabeth Crim, a daughter of the Rev. J. M. Crim and a granddaughter of the Rev. Jacob Biddle, who was one of the first circuit riders of Ohio, riding from town to town on horseback, carrying the message of the gospel into the frontier districts of the state. Mr. and Mrs. Carr are the parents of six children: Robert Spencer, Richard Clarence, William Paul, Elizabeth, Rachel and Louise.

At the polls Mr. Carr supports the men and measures of the republican party. A contemporary biographer said of him: "He is typically American in his standards of life and thought, in his activities and in his appreciation of true democracy, and at all times he is a splendid example of the highest type of American citizenship." For two and one-half years following its organization he served as president of the Toledo Business Men's Club and later he became a prominent member and influential worker in its successor, the Toledo Commerce Club. He was also a member of the board of

education for eight years and did particularly effective work as its president for two years. A worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, he is a member of Sanford L. Collins Lodge, F. & A. M., has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and has crossed the sands of the desert with the Nobles of Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is likewise affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church, of which he has been an elder for a number of years. Moreover, he is a popular member of the Toledo Club, the Country Club, the Inverness Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. Mr. Carr is interested in all organizations and all worthy agencies at work in the community for the elevation, improvement and enduring welfare of its residents and he has always been a zealous advocate and promoter of public improvements and an earnest supporter of everything that seemed likely to advance the best interests of his city, county and state.

HON. SILAS S. RICHARDS

Entering upon his career as a lawyer when a young man of twenty-one, the Hon. Silas S. Richards has continuously followed his profession in northwestern Ohio for a half century. He is widely and favorably known as the senior member of the court of appeals of Lucas county and has been retained upon the bench for twenty-four years—an eloquent testimonial to his standing as a jurist. He was born in Sandusky county, Ohio, August 8, 1857, a son of Archibald and Mary (George) Richards, and comes of colonial stock. The Richards family is of Welsh origin and was established in Connecticut about the year 1680. Archibald Richards was born near New London, Connecticut, in August, 1812, and was reared and educated in that state. About 1834 he came to Ohio, settling on a farm in Sandusky county, and there resided until his death on the 16th of October, 1884, when he was seventy-two years of age. He was a consistent member of the Baptist church and gave his political support to the

republican party. His wife was born in Seneca county, Ohio, in 1819, and passed away in Clyde, Sandusky county, in 1901. She was a daughter of Joseph and Mary George and of English descent in the paternal line. Her father served in the War of 1812 and lived for many years in Seneca county, of which he was an honored pioneer, and later in Sandusky county. To Mr. and Mrs. Archibald Richards were born twelve children, of whom three survive: Mary C., the widow of James T. Losee, of Toledo; George S. and Silas S. Richards.

The last named obtained his early education in Clyde, graduating from high school in 1875, and then went to California. For some time he taught school in Bakersfield, California, and on returning to Clyde began the study of law in the office of Basil Meek. On the 7th of January, 1879, Mr. Richards was admitted to the bar and practiced at Clyde until 1905, when he received from Governor Myron T. Herrick the appointment of judge of the court of common pleas, with jurisdiction in Sandusky, Erie, Huron, Ottawa and Lucas counties. After the completion of his appointed term he was twice elected to that office, serving for a period of six years, and in 1911 was called to the bench of the circuit court. In 1913, when the circuit court was succeeded by the court of appeals, he became judge of the court of appeals, and was re-elected in 1916 and 1922, at the latter election being the unanimous choice for that office, and was again re-elected for the fourth term of six years in 1928. He possesses the judicial temperament to a marked degree and his leading characteristics, aside from his devotion to the exacting work of the bench, are his ability to discern and condemn false testimony or sophistry of argument in support of a bad cause, the decisiveness, accuracy and impartiality of his rulings and his uniform courtesy to the bar. He is also a director of the Citizens Building & Loan Company and the Clyde Kraut Company, both operating in Clyde.

On the 7th of June, 1882, Judge Richards married Miss Jennie Harding, who was a daughter of John Harding, a prominent citizen of Clyde, Ohio, and there passed away January 8, 1910, when forty-nine years of age. She was the mother of three children: Robert G., of Clyde; Rena, who is

the wife of Dr. Walter M. Bucher, of Cleveland, Ohio, and has two daughters, Betty and Joan; and William M., who is president of the Title Guarantee & Trust Company of Toledo and has a wife and two children, Jennie and William S. On the 18th of November, 1914, Judge Richards was married in Columbus Grove, Ohio, to Miss Elizabeth Strain, a native of Pennsylvania and a daughter of the Rev. John B. Strain, a Presbyterian minister, and Elizabeth Rogers Strain.

Judge Richards lives in Clyde during the summer but spends more than half of his time in Toledo, and is active in civic affairs. For a number of years he was president of the board of education of Clyde and is now at the head of the board of trustees of the Eliza Ramsey Home for Old Ladies at Clyde. His fraternal affiliations are with the Clyde lodge of Masons and the Fremont lodge of Elks. He is a member of the Sandusky County, Toledo, and State Bar associations. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and his religious belief is indicated by his affiliation with the Presbyterian church of Clyde. Judge Richards is appreciative of the best in literature and devotes many of his leisure hours to reading and study. He is a disciple of Izaak Walton and a keen sportsman. He and Mrs. Richards have visited the South Sea islands and many points of interest in this and other countries, thus broadening their outlook upon life. Judge Richards has always been actuated by a strong sense of duty and honor and through his example and efforts he has inculcated in men high regard for the dignity of the law and respect for its observance.

CHARLES SHRIVER YINGLING

Enterprising, energetic and determined, Charles S. Yingling is regarded as one of the foremost merchants of Tiffin and successfully controls a business which has been conducted by members of the family for more than a half century. He was born in this city, November 14, 1884, a son of Charles Y. Yingling, and represents an old family of the south. The grandfather, Joshua Yingling, was born in Westminster, Maryland, in 1812, and there engaged in mer-

chandising for an extended period but operated a cannery for two years before his death. He was also a director in a large Baltimore establishment. He died in 1881. His wife, Margaret (Shriver) Yingling, was born in Westminster, Maryland, in 1814, and passed away in 1880.

Charles Y. Yingling was born in Baltimore, Maryland, October 26, 1847, and was one of eight children. When but a year old he was taken from Baltimore to Westminster, where he received a public school education. From 1865 until 1869 he was teller of the First National Bank of Westminster and then traveled for six months in the west in order to regain his health. On the expiration of that period he returned to Westminster and was there engaged in the dry goods business with his father for four years. In 1872 he came to Ohio, locating in Tiffin and conducted a shoe factory, which two years later he traded for a dry goods store at the corner of Washington and Madison streets. He was one of the earliest merchants in that section of the city and in 1900 moved to Nos. 126-28 South Washington street, where the store has since been located. Mr. Yingling made his establishment a center of service in the everyday life of the community and continued at the head of the business until his death on the 8th of March, 1921. He was also director of the Tiffin National Bank of Tiffin and was a director of the Cemetery Association and the Library Board. His political allegiance was given to the republican party and his influence was always on the side of movements of reform, progress and improvement. He was a Knight Templar and thirty-second degree Mason and a consistent member of the Methodist church, being Sunday school superintendent for a period of over fifty years. Mr. Yingling was a merchant of high standing and a man of exceptional worth. He was married October 26, 1875, in Taneytown, Maryland, to Miss Mary Elizabeth Rudisel, who passed away December 8, 1917. They were the parents of two children: Tobias, who was born August 26, 1876, and died December 11, 1922, and Charles S.

The latter was reared in Tiffin and supplemented his public school education by a course in Heidelberg College. In March, 1904, he entered his father's store and diligently applied himself to his tasks, working in the various depart-

ments and thus gaining valuable experience. Since the death of his father he has been the executive head of the business and is constantly expanding its scope. This is one of the oldest mercantile institutions in Tiffin and throughout the fifty-four years of its existence under one name the establishment has been distinguished by its friendly atmosphere, courteous service and fair dealing. Mr. Yingling has inherited his father's administrative power and business acumen, which have also been of benefit to the Fox Lumber & Supply Company, of which he is secretary. His name appears on the directorate of the Tiffin National Bank and he is vice president and a director of the General Finance Company.

Mr. Yingling was married January 25, 1910, to Miss Edith Corinne Heilman, who was a daughter of William H. Heilman of Tiffin and died November 6, 1926, leaving one child, Mary Elva. On the 24th of January, 1928, Mr. Yingling was united in marriage to Miss Pearl Elva Heilman, a daughter of Otto Heilman. Mr. Yingling is serving on the Library Board and champions all projects for Tiffin's growth and betterment. His political support is given to the republican party and his religious views are in harmony with the doctrines of the Methodist church. In Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree, belonging to the commandery and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and is also identified with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is also a member of the Mohawk Country Club. Mr. Yingling has many steadfast friends in the city in which his life has been spent and his record sustains the high reputation that has ever been borne by the members of this well known family.

RUSSELL SMITH WENZLAU

In Russell Smith Wenzlau, Toledo has secured a school director of rare qualifications and a public official whose efforts in behalf of the city have been manifestly resultant and beneficial. He was born June 28, 1888, in Celina, Ohio, a son of Charles P. and Eugenia (Smith) Wenzlau, and is of

German lineage. His paternal grandparents emigrated from Germany to the United States, becoming pioneer settlers of New Bremen, Ohio. Charles P. Wenzlau was born in New Bremen, and devoted his life to the banking business, occupying a prominent place in financial circles of Celina, while he was also active in community affairs. He passed away in 1902 and was long survived by his wife, whose demise occurred in 1926. They were the parents of two sons: Russell Smith; and Charles Norman, who is engaged in the insurance business in Tippecanoe, Ohio.

Russell S. Wenzlau acquired his public school education in his native town; later attended Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, Ohio; and completed his studies in the Case School of Applied Science at Cleveland, from which he was graduated in 1911. He entered upon his career as a civil engineer in Toledo, becoming associated with George Strafford Mills, a well known architect, with whom he continued for six years, and supervised the construction of the new home of the Toledo Club, the erection of the Overland plant, the factory of the American Can Company and other large buildings. His work in that connection attracted much favorable notice and led to his appointment as civil engineer by the Toledo board of education. From 1917 until 1923 he acted in that capacity, thoroughly justifying the confidence reposed in his ability, and he has since been director and business manager of all of the city schools. Impelled by high ideals of service, Mr. Wenzlau has exerted every effort to improve educational facilities in Toledo and during his tenure of office practically all of the schools have been rebuilt. Within a period of eight years the city has expended the sum of ten million dollars for the construction of the Libbey and Woodward high schools, the Jones junior high school and a number of elementary schools. These are all of the latest type and as a result of Mr. Wenzlau's professional knowledge and experience and his untiring labors Toledo's school buildings now rank with the best in the country.

On the 15th of May, 1912, Mr. Wenzlau was united in marriage to Miss Gladys Davis, a daughter of Seymour O. and Helen (Bridestone) Davis. Her father was connected with the commercial department of the Engineers National

Bank of Cleveland, Ohio, for a number of years and also achieved prominence in railroad circles of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Wenzlau have three children: Helen E., who was born September 7, 1914; Russell S., Jr., born May 30, 1922; and William D., December 16, 1924.

Mr. Wenzlau is a member of the Kiwanis Club, while Mrs. Wenzlau belongs to the Woman's Club, taking an active part in its affairs. Along fraternal lines Mr. Wenzlau is identified with the Masonic order and as an energetic member of the Chamber of Commerce he is working for Toledo's material development and industrial prosperity. His standards of life are high, and what he has accomplished represents the fit utilization of his innate powers and talents.

GEORGE E. HARDY

On the roster of public officials in Toledo appears the name of George E. Hardy, who is serving as clerk of the courts of Lucas county and has also achieved success in business affairs. He has lived in the city for fifty-six years and his public spirit has been expressed by effective efforts in its behalf. He was born in Swanton, Ohio, March 2, 1870, a son of George and Harriet E. (Barnes) Hardy, natives respectively of Albany, New York, and Willoughby, Ohio. The father migrated to the Buckeye state when a young man and became a resident of Toledo in 1873. He was an expert painter and had charge of the finishing department of the B. A. Stevens Company for many years. Of the five children born to Mr. and Mrs. Hardy four are now living: Mrs. Elizabeth Redmond, of Byron, Michigan; and Mrs. May Decker and James and George E. Hardy, all residents of Toledo.

The last named attended the grammar schools and a business college of this city and obtained his start in life as an employe of H. B. Tobey & Company, dealers in marine, factory and mill supplies. He saved his earnings and in 1899 combined his capital with that of F. A. Dischinger. They embarked in the same line of business on Water street in this city, operating at first on a partnership basis, and later formed The Hardy-Dischinger Company. This style was

retained until 1907, when Mr. Hardy gained control of the Toledo White Lead Company and reorganized the business, changing the name to The Hardy Paint & Varnish Company. He successfully administered its affairs for seven years and sold the business in February, 1914, when he became secretary of the Toledo Commerce Club. He materially advanced the interests of that organization and continued in the same capacity until August, 1915, when he tendered his resignation, having accepted a similar position offered to him by the Chamber of Commerce of Portland, Oregon. Mr. Hardy returned to Toledo in 1918 and next became local agent for the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company of Hartford and the United States Fidelity & Guaranty Company of Baltimore, Maryland, with which he was connected until August, 1920. He then purchased an interest in The Johnston-Decker Company and the style was changed to The Johnston-Hardy Company. He was elected its treasurer and assiduously applied himself to his tasks, exerting every effort to increase the prestige and success of the firm. On January 6, 1925, he was made clerk of the courts by appointment and discharges his duties with characteristic thoroughness and efficiency, proving well qualified for the office. Since his appointment he has been twice elected to the same office.

Mr. Hardy was married June 20, 1893, in Detroit, Michigan, to Miss Emily S. Logan, a daughter of Charles R. and Sylvia Logan, residents of Saginaw, that state. Mr. and Mrs. Hardy became the parents of two children: Norris Logan, who was born December 24, 1894, and died August 31, 1916, when a young man of twenty-one years; and Sylvia Ruth, who was born August 9, 1910, and is at home.

Mr. Hardy is a Christian Scientist in religious faith and holds the thirty-second degree in the Masonic order, belonging to both the York and Scottish Rite bodies. In 1912 he was one of the five founders of the Toledo Rotary Club and became its second president. For more than twenty years he has been an influential member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, acting as chairman of its waterways and harbor committee for some time, and has also been secretary of the Toledo Port Commission. Mr. Hardy has done all in his power to promote the welfare and progress of his city, taking

a leading part in every movement looking toward the accomplishment of real and practical good, and an exemplary life has won for him the respect, confidence and goodwill of his fellowmen.

ARTHUR RUSS CHRISTY

Arthur Russ Christy, president of the Carter-Christy Advertising Corporation, is one of Fremont's wide-awake, progressive and energetic business men and is meeting with notable success in the business in which he is now engaged, that of outdoor advertising. Mr. Christy was born in Sandusky, Ohio, in 1890, and is a son of Russ Jackson and Amelia (Meyers) Christy. The father brought his family to Fremont in 1891 and here organized the Christy Knife Company.

Arthur R. Christy attended the public and high schools of this city and afterward Ohio State University. He then entered the employ of the Fremont Stove Company, of which he later became president and general manager, remaining with that concern until 1928, when he sold his interest and, in June of this year became one of the organizers of the Carter-Christy Advertising Corporation, of which he is president and C. D. Carter, secretary and general manager. The company is engaged in the outdoor bulletin board and poster advertising service, which they are selling in Ohio, Indiana, West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Michigan, in which territory they have six traveling representatives. In addition to this business, Mr. Christy is vice president of the Colonial Savings Bank, treasurer of The Christy Company and vice president of the Rainbow Garden Company, all are successful and prosperous concerns.

In 1912 Mr. Christy was united in marriage to Miss Ethel Hirt, of Fremont, daughter of Edward and Carrie (Black) Hirt, and they are the parents of five children: Jane E., Russ J., II, Arthur R., Jr., Martha Ann and Edward Hirt. Mr. Christy is a member of Brainard Lodge, No. 336, F. & A. M.; Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Toledo; and Fremont Lodge, No. 169, B. P.

Arthur Rees Christy

O. E. He belongs to the Toledo Club and the Inverness Club of Toledo, is a member of the Beta Theta Pi fraternity and is a past president of the Rotary Club and was elected governor of the Twenty-first district Rotary International April 19, 1929. He is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce, of which he is vice president. He has shown an active interest in everything affecting the welfare and prosperity of his community, has been influential in promoting its commercial and civic interests and is regarded as one of its most substantial and dependable citizens.

EDMUND R. VOORHEES

For practically twenty-five years Edmund R. Voorhees has been engaged in the practice of law in Woodville, and during this period has not only commanded a large clientele, but has also been prominent and influential in the civic affairs of his community. Mr. Voorhees was born in Gibsonburg, Sandusky county, Ohio, on the 6th of December, 1877, and is the eldest son of James and Mary A. (Daum) Voorhees. His early education was acquired in the public schools of that locality and he was graduated from high school in 1896. He completed his scholastic training in the Ohio Northern University, at Ada, after which he took up the study of law in the office of the late J. L. Hart, in Gibsonburg. On June 11, 1903, he was admitted to the bar and in February of the following year entered upon the practice of his profession in Woodville, where he has remained to the present time. He has been identified as counsel with many important cases in the courts of this county and early gained recognition as a capable, sound and dependable lawyer, handling most of the business for the banks and business concerns of this locality, and holding a place among the leading members of the Sandusky county bar. He has served as city solicitor since January 1, 1905. He is also president of the Sandusky County Law Library Association and is a member of the Sandusky County Bar Association and the American Bar Association.

On May 10, 1910, Mr. Voorhees was united in marriage to Miss Henrietta Babione, of Woodville, daughter of Wil-

liam and Frances (Brugman) Babione. They are the parents of a daughter, Gladys Celestine, who is now seventeen years of age and a senior in the Woodville high school. Mrs. Voorhees is an active member of the Lutheran church and has long been prominent in literary circles, having done much creditable writing. Mr. Voorhees supports the republican party and has been active in local public affairs, serving as a member of the board of education continuously from January 1, 1919, to January 1, 1926, and has held a commission as justice of the peace since 1912. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and stands consistently for all that is best in the life of his community. During the late war he did effective work in the promotion of the Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives and no measure for the advancement of community welfare has ever lacked for his wholehearted support. Because of his professional ability, his genuine and unselfish interest in the prosperity of Woodville and his sterling personal qualities, he is well worthy of the respect and esteem which are accorded him by his fellowmen.

WILLIAM RICHARD HARRIS

William R. Harris is the active manager of one of the oldest undertaking establishments in northwestern Ohio and the oldest in Bellevue—the Harris funeral home, on West Main street. This concern has always utilized modern appointments and methods and for many years has maintained its place in the front rank of the firms in its line in this section of the state. Mr. Harris was born in Ware, Massachusetts, in 1890, and is a son of F. E. and Anna L. (Fox) Harris. His father, who was born in 1857, came from Indiana to Ohio, and in 1887 located in Bellevue, where he bought an undertaking establishment, since which time he has been identified with this business continuously, though not now taking an active part in its management.

William R. Harris attended the public and high schools of Bellevue, after which he entered the Cincinnati College of Embalming, from which he was graduated in 1912. He then became actively associated with his father in the business

here and in 1916 took over the management. He now has an assistant, Russell Smith, who also is an expert embalmer. The funeral home is well arranged and thoroughly equipped for the proper handling of the business and for the comfort and accommodation of funeral parties, and Mr. Harris is painstaking in his efforts to properly care for the interests of those who patronize him.

Mr. Harris was married January 21, 1928, to Miss Edna Street, of Bellevue. He is a York Rite Mason and a member of Zenobia Temple of the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine and his wife belongs to the Eastern Star. He is also affiliated with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Kiwanis Club, and is a member of the Ohio State Funeral Directors Association and the National Funeral Directors Association. In his political views he is a republican. He attends the Methodist Episcopal church, gives his support to all worthy local enterprises having for their object the betterment of the community and commands the sincere respect and esteem of all who know him.

EDWARD B. VOGEL, M. D.

Dr. Edward B. Vogel, of Bellevue, has gained wide recognition as a learned, capable and successful physician, and in his special field of practice is regarded as particularly efficient. Dr. Vogel was born in Upper Sandusky, Ohio, on the 7th of August, 1895, and is a son of Henry and Anna (Roelle) Vogel, the former now deceased, while the mother still resides in Upper Sandusky.

Dr. Vogel received his early education in the parochial and public schools and graduated from high school in 1914. He attended St. John's College, Toledo, Ohio, and then matriculated in the medical school of St. Louis University, at St. Louis, Missouri, from which he was graduated, with the degree of Bachelor of Science and also Doctor of Medicine, in 1920. He served as interne in St. John's Hospital, of Cleveland, Ohio, for one year, and was resident physician in St. Ann's Hospital for one year. In 1922 he came to Bellevue and engaged in the general practice of medicine and surgery.

In 1926 he went abroad and took a post-graduate course in the Vienna (Austria) Clinic. He has since taken post-graduate work in gynecology and is now specializing in obstetrics and pediatrics. He is company surgeon for the Nickel Plate Railroad Company, is examiner for several life insurance companies and is a member of the medical staff of the Bellevue Hospital. He belongs to the Sandusky County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society, the American Medical Association and is a life member of the Medical Association of Vienna, Austria.

Dr. Vogel is a democrat in his political views, belongs to the Knights of Columbus and is a member of the Church of the Immaculate Conception. He also belongs to the Chi Zeta Chi medical fraternity, of which he was president in 1918-19. He is a man of splendid personal traits, is cordial and affable in manner and since locating in Bellevue has won many warm and lasting friendships, while all who have come in contact with him hold him in high regard.

WARREN E. GRIFFITH

A business man of broad experience and pronounced ability, Warren E. Griffith has become one of the foremost automobile dealers of Toledo and is also a well known financier. He was born in Rushville, Illinois, May 4, 1885, and is a son of Charles B. and Lyde (Knowles) Griffith. The father resides in California and the mother has passed away.

Warren E. Griffith supplemented his public school education by attendance at Oberlin College and was graduated with the class of 1907, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He spent two years in his father's hardware store, but in February, 1911, located in Toledo and for a short time was identified with the Blevins Automobile Sales Company. In September, 1912, he formed a partnership with Charles P. Landman and they incorporated the business under the style of the Landman-Griffith Company. Mr. Griffith is president of the corporation, which is the head Chrysler agency in Toledo and conducts business in its own building at No. 1832 Adams street. The firm has a fine sales organization and

operates on a large scale, maintaining a high standard of service. Mr. Griffith has thoroughly systematized the business and is alert to every new avenue opened in the natural ramifications of the trade. He is vice president of the Title Guaranty and Trust Company and a director of the Community Traction Company, both of which have profited by his sound judgment and keen powers of discernment.

Mr. Griffith was married September 9, 1908, in Birmingham, Alabama, to Miss Gertrude Dexter, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, who was also a member of the class of 1907 of Oberlin College, and they have become the parents of three children: Dexter Knowles, who was born in 1912; Stebbins West, born in 1916; and Charlotte Ann, born in 1924.

Mr. Griffith has written many articles which have appeared in the leading trade journals and on December 4, 1928, was called to the presidency of the National Automobile Dealers Association, a distinction well merited. He is an ex-president of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the State Automobile Dealers Association and the local Kiwanis Club. Mr. Griffith also belongs to the Toledo Club and the Sylvania Golf Club. In politics he is a republican, and his religious views are indicated by his affiliation with the First Congregational church. A man of well developed capacities and powers, Mr. Griffith has constantly broadened his field of usefulness, and time has strengthened his position in public esteem.

FREDERICK C. SCHAAL

Entering upon his career as a lawyer at the age of twenty-three, Frederick C. Schaal has steadily progressed toward the goal of success and now occupies an enviable position in legal circles of Toledo. He was born in this city, June 21, 1874, a son of Melchoir J. and Veronica (Lemle) Schaal, natives respectively of Wurtemberg and Baden, Germany. They left that country in their youth, and the father became a prominent contractor and prosperous business man of Toledo. He was an adherent of the democratic party and a faithful member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic church. His

demise occurred in Toledo on the 6th of February, 1913, when he had reached the sixty-sixth milestone on life's journey, and his wife passed away in this city, February 11, 1911, at the age of fifty-nine years.

Frederick C. Schaal attended St. Mary's parochial school and the public schools of Toledo. His classical education was acquired in Buffalo, New York, at Canisius College, from which he was graduated in 1894 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Afterward he read law in the office of James E. Pilliod, a prominent attorney of Toledo, and was admitted to the Ohio bar March 2, 1897. Mr. Schaal at once entered upon the active work of his profession in this city. He remained alone until 1906, when he formed a partnership with George N. Fell, who became the senior member of the firm, and they soon established a large and remunerative clientele. He is attorney for the Corn City Savings Association, of which he is also secretary and a director, and Joseph L. Acker is filling the office of president.

Mr. Schaal was married June 29, 1899, in Toledo, to Miss Agnes Cecelia Neuhausel, who was born March 20, 1877, in this city and received her education in the Ursuline Convent. Her father, George C. Neuhausel, was a native of Germany and became a member of the firm of Neuhausel Brothers, the oldest dry goods merchants of Toledo. He remained here until his demise and his widow, Mrs. Louise (Zahm) Neuhausel, a native of Mishawaka, Indiana, still makes her home in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Schaal became the parents of two children. The daughter, Mary Louise, was born May 30, 1903, in Toledo and is now Sister Mary Amadeus of the Ursuline Convent in this city. The son, James Eugene, was born September 29, 1904, and attended Campion College at Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. Later he won the A. B. degree from St. John's University in Toledo and completed his education in St. Louis University, which awarded him the degree of M. D. He is now serving as an interne of St. Anthony's Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri.

Mr. Schaal gives his political allegiance to the democratic party and is affiliated with St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church of Maumee. He is a charter member of the local council of the Knights of Columbus and is also identified with

the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Chamber of Commerce and the Toledo, Ohio State and American Bar Associations. The progress of his city is a matter in which he takes much personal pride, and an upright, useful life of quiet devotion to duty has won for him the high and enduring regard of his fellowmen.

PHILIP A. LINS

Philip A. Lins, who has conducted the Hotel Fremont, at Fremont, for the past eighteen years, has shown high qualifications as a hotel executive, The Fremont ranking as one of the best and most popular hotels in this section of the state. Mr. Lins was born in Missouri in 1875. His father met with an accidental death, and his mother moved to Ohio when the subject of this sketch was but two years of age, and he received his educational training in district schools in Ohio, supplementing this by a commercial course in a business college in Mount Vernon.

In 1893, at the age of eighteen years, Mr. Lins entered upon his hotel career as a night bellboy in a hotel in Coshocton, Ohio, and he has been identified with the business continuously since, being advanced through various positions, due to his loyal and efficient service. In 1910 he came to Fremont and took over the Hotel Fremont, which he has placed on a par with the best hotels in cities of the size of Fremont. Sometime after coming here he also acquired the Hotel Jackson, to the management of which also he gives his personal attention, and now has two valuable and prosperous hotel properties. He is painstaking and tireless in his efforts to provide for the comfort and welfare of his guests, and that his efforts have been appreciated is evident by the splendid patronage given to both houses.

In 1903 Mr. Lins was united in marriage to Miss Mariam Thomas, of Scranton, Pennsylvania, and they are the parents of three children, Mrs. E. R. Hilton, Mariam and John. Mrs. Lins is actively interested in local club and social affairs, being a member of the Cosmopolitan Club, the Women's Fed-

eration and other organizations, and is extremely popular in the circles in which she moves.

Politically, Mr. Lins is an active supporter of the republican party and has maintained a deep interest in public affairs, though he has never sought nor held office. He is a member of Brainard Lodge, No. 336, F. & A. M.; Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Toledo, and The Ohio Hotels Association, of which he is now president and a former trustee. During the World war he took an active part in the various Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives, serving on the speakers and other committees. He and his wife are members of the Protestant Episcopal church, of which he is a vestryman, and they give generous support to all worthy charitable or benevolent causes. A man of strong individuality and gracious personality, Mr. Lins makes a favorable impression on all who come in contact with him, and throughout the community in which he lives he commands uniform respect and esteem. He believes that opportunity and success come only to those who believe in themselves and are willing to work hard and give constant study to improve their business. To the young man of today Mr. Lins believes the future holds greater possibilities than before. In the management of his enterprises he is ably assisted by his son-in-law, E. R. Hilton, Jr.

PHINEAS WELT

On the roster of public officials in Toledo appears the name of Phineas Welt, who is capably serving the general public in the office of commissioner of licenses and assessments. He is a native of the neighboring state of Indiana, his birth having occurred in Wolcottville, June 5, 1880. His father, Morris Welt, was born in Bavaria, Germany, where he was reared and educated. He came to America in the early '60s, settling in Wolcottville, Indiana, where he resided for about three decades. In the early '90s he came to Toledo, where he made his home until his death, which occurred May 10, 1927, when he was eighty-two years of age. He had successfully engaged in business as a retail merchant in both

Wolcottville and Toledo. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Rosa Meyerfield, was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, July 17, 1857, and belonged to one of the old families of that city of German descent. She passed away February 21, 1925, when sixty-seven years of age, leaving a daughter and two sons: Belle, the wife of E. N. Kraus, a resident of Toledo; Phineas; and Marvin, who makes his home in New York city.

Phineas Welt is indebted to the public school system of Wolcottville for the educational opportunities accorded him in early youth, while later he attended the schools of Toledo. At the age of eighteen he made his initial step in the business world and for a number of years was employed in office work. During the World war period he had charge of office work for the United States government in connection with shipping and receiving supplies and war materials in Toledo, acting in that capacity from September, 1918, until August, 1921. When he retired from that position he became a clerk in the office of licenses and assessments and in 1923 was advanced to the position of head of the department, in which capacity he has continued to serve throughout the intervening period of six years. He has made an excellent record in office, having inaugurated a system of efficiency that is distinctive in character and is second to none in any department of the city service. His knowledge of the requirements of the office and his previous experience enabled him to make his work of great benefit to the community. One of the features of his service is his continuously courteous treatment of employes and of the public at large.

At Toledo, on the 7th of April, 1921, Mr. Welt was married to Miss Violet B. Cotter, who was born in Corning, Ohio, a daughter of John and Margaret (McCloud) Cotter and a member of an old Corning family that came originally from West Virginia. Mrs. Welt is a teacher in the Hamilton school of Toledo and a member of the Toledo Women's Club. They reside at No. 333 Islington street.

Mr. Welt belongs to Collingwood Temple and in all the relations of life is actuated by a broad humanitarian spirit. He has membership in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and is serving on the investigating committee of the local lodge. In politics he has always been a republican, ac-

tive in his endorsement of party principles and at all times progressive in his attitude toward matters of general public concern. He gains his diversion from boxing, football and baseball. His record has been marked by continuous progress and in the city in which the greater part of his life has been passed he is widely known and highly esteemed, for he is a man of substantial worth.

JOHN DICKINSON RHOADES

John Dickinson Rhoades is a successful attorney of Toledo and represents a family noted for legal ability of a high order. He has also found time for church work and many branches of Christian service, in which connection his activities have been far-reaching and most beneficial in their effects. He was born September 15, 1877, and has always resided in this city, to which he is deeply attached.

His father, Edward Henry Rhoades, was born in Skaneateles, New York, February 13, 1843, and his mother, Hannah Sophia Rhoades, was born in Elbridge, New York, July 20, 1843. Both were descendants of Joseph Rhoades, who was born in Marblehead, Massachusetts, in 1701. The family is of Welsh origin and was established in Massachusetts between 1630 and 1640. According to a tradition in the family, one of the ancestors of John D. Rhoades, drilled the colonists in an old sail loft before the outbreak of the Revolutionary war, training a few men at a time in the evenings so as not to attract the attention of the British authorities. In 1868 Edward H. Rhoades moved to Toledo and began the practice of law, successfully following that profession in this city until his death in 1913. In 1899 he admitted his son, Edward H. Rhoades, Jr., to a partnership and they were intrusted with important litigation.

John D. Rhoades was graduated from the Toledo high school in 1898 and afterward matriculated in Oberlin College, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1902. His law studies were pursued in the office of his father and older brother, and in December, 1904, he was admitted to the bar. On the 1st of January, 1905, he be-

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came a member of the firm of Rhoades & Rhoades, and the father and two sons were associated in practice until April 23,1913, when Edward H. Rhoades, Sr., passed away. The firm of Rhoades & Rhoades consisted of Edward H. Rhoades, Jr., and John D. Rhoades until September 1, 1927, when they were joined by William H. Rhoades, the former's son, and the three are still the sole members of the firm, the name remaining unchanged. They have a suite of offices on the seventh floor of the Security building. They are engaged in general civil practice with special reference to corporation, business, real estate and probate law, in which they are recognized experts, and their clientele is large and remunerative. John D. Rhoades is a stockholder in three Toledo banks and an officer in several real estate corporations of the city. All have profited by his legal acumen and broad grasp of affairs.

When national issues are at stake Mr. Rhoades votes the republican ticket but at local elections he usually casts his ballot for the men whom he considers best qualified for office irrespective of party ties. He has never sought public office and has never been connected with any secret or fraternal organizations. He is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution, the Toledo Museum of Art, the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, and the local, state and national bar associations.

Mr. Rhoades has been affiliated with the Ashland Avenue Baptist church for thirty-eight years and has long served on its executive committee. For about eight years he was president of the Toledo Baptist Union, the city mission organization, and for a number of years has been a member of the executive board of the Toledo Baptist Association, including Toledo and the surrounding territory. Since 1926 he has been chairman of the comity department of the Toledo Council of Churches, and by reason of that fact is a member of the executive board of the Toledo Council of Churches. For more than thirteen years he has been a member of the board of managers of the American Baptist Publication Society, which has charge of the publication and most of the religious education work and colportage work of the Baptists of the Northern Baptist Convention. Mr.

Rhoades is also a member of the executive committee of the International Council of Religious Education. He is author of the book, "The Master Purpose of Jesus." Mr. Rhoades said: "It has always been my theory of life that as a man came to have a margin above his immediate needs he owed a certain proportion of his time and service to the promotion of public welfare, and that in the promotion of public welfare he would do much better to select some one line rather than to scatter his efforts into all lines of life. For myself I have chosen to concentrate a large portion of my time which I could devote to public good for church and Christian service. During the past several years approximately a day to a day and a half of week day time has been consumed in such voluntary Christian service."

EARL KENT SOLETHER

In the front rank of the able and successful lawyers of Wood county stands Earl K. Solether, of Bowling Green, who has been engaged in the active practice of his profession here for over twenty years and has long been regarded as a trustworthy and dependable attorney. Mr. Solether was born at Jerry City, Wood county, Ohio, on the 14th of October, 1883, and is a son of Cyrus Wilson and Lizzie (Weaver) Solether, both of whom are living. The father was born January 14, 1857, in Bloom township, Wood county, and is a son of Charles and Sarah (Miller) Solether, the former a native of Germany. He received a good education, attending Oberlin College one year, after which he devoted his attention to farming, eventually becoming one of the large land owners of Bloom and Portage townships. He is an active republican in politics and is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. On December 22, 1882, he married Miss Lizzie Weaver, a daughter of Philip Weaver, a farmer of Muskingum county, Ohio. To them were born seven children, Earl K., Ralph B., Glenn E., Alta F., Clyde V., Vida E., and Donald.

Earl K. Solether attended the public schools of his home locality, the high school at Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Oberlin

Academy. He then entered the law school of the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1907. Admitted to the Ohio bar, he immediately entered upon the practice of his profession in Bowling Green and has been identified with many of the most important cases tried in the courts of this and neighboring counties, proving a capable and resourceful trial lawyer, while as an office counselor he is sound and safe. He commands an extensive practice, has been successful in his material affairs and is a director of the Mutual Savings & Loan Company and the Cygnet Savings Bank, of Cygnet, Wood county. He was prosecuting attorney of Wood county from 1915 to 1918 inclusive and during the World war was a government representative on the local draft board.

On November 29, 1908, Mr. Solether was united in marriage to Miss Mildred Meeker, of Bowling Green, daughter of Asa and Martha (Grover) Meeker, and they are the parents of two daughters, Helen S. and Lois L. The republican party receives Mr. Solether's political support, while his religious faith is that of the Presbyterian church, of which he is a trustee. He is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and is an extremely popular member of the circles in which he moves. He has been a consistent supporter of those things which are calculated to promote the public welfare and to a marked degree commands the respect of his fellowmen.

FRED J. PUCK

Alert, efficient and well poised, Fred J. Puck is ably following in the business footsteps of his father and successfully administers the affairs of The Western Manufacturing Company, one of Toledo's pioneer commercial institutions. He was born in this city in 1873, a son of John H. and Anna (Westerhouse) Puck, and represents one of Toledo's old and prominent families. The father was born in Wood county, Ohio, in 1842, and came to Toledo in 1859. For a time he was a clerk in a store and in 1861 obtained work in a sash

and door factory. Soon afterward he enlisted in the Union army and served for three years. He started with General Sherman on the memorable march from Atlanta to the sea but was wounded at Jonesboro, Georgia, and was unable to participate further in that memorable advance. In 1865 he was honorably discharged and returned to Toledo during the latter part of that year. For a few years he was employed in the factory of H. A. Boyd and in 1870 joined his brother, Frederick Puck, F. E. Witker, J. J. Baird, Henry Lyman and James Lyman in organizing The Western Manufacturing Company, which was incorporated at that time. About 1872 Henry and James Lyman and J. J. Baird left the organization and in 1886 F. E. Witker sold his stock in the company, of which Frederick Schulty became president, thus serving until 1925, when he resigned because of illness. He was succeeded by Fred J. Puck, and C. C. F. Sieving was elected vice president at that time.

John H. Puck was a director of the company for many years and stood high in business circles of Toledo. In politics he was a democrat and during the administration of Grover Cleveland was appointed collector of customs. During the early '80s he was a member of the board of education of Toledo and also made an enviable record as a legislator, representing his district in the sixty-seventh general assembly of Ohio. He was greatly interested in the activities of the Grand Army of the Republic and served as commander of the post at Toledo. His wife was born in Germany in 1844 and spent her early life in that country. She left Hamburg in a sailing vessel which was six weeks in making the voyage to New Orleans, Louisiana, where she secured passage on a boat bound for St. Louis, Missouri, and was four weeks in completing the trip. Afterward she came to Toledo and was married here in November, 1865. She was called to her final rest in 1923, when she had reached the seventy-ninth milestone on life's journey, and Mr. Puck passed away in 1926 at the venerable age of eighty-four years. They were the parents of five children. Of their two sons, one died in infancy. The daughters are: Mrs. Caroline Kuehn, who was born in 1866 and is living in Denver, Colorado; Mrs. Margaret Jaspersen, who was born in 1880 and makes her home

in St. Mary's Ohio; and Almeda Puck, who was born in 1886 and resides in Toledo.

The surviving son, Fred J. Puck, received a grammar school education and in June, 1889, when a youth of sixteen, entered the employ of The Western Manufacturing Company, with which he has been identified for nearly forty years, devoting the best efforts of his life to its service. A diligent and capable worker, he advanced through the various departments, gradually assuming heavier responsibilities, and for four years has been president of the corporation. The other officers are: C. C. F. Sieving, vice president; O. M. E. Schick, secretary; Henry Kuhlman, treasurer; and J. W. Peschel, sales manager and superintendent of the plant. This is the oldest concern of the kind in Toledo and the surrounding territory. The business was started at the corner of Water and Jackson streets in a frame building one story in height, containing about two thousand square feet of floor space. In 1874 removal was made to the present location at the intersection of Water and Walnut street and a brick building was erected on the half block of leased ground. Later they purchased the entire property, which is one block wide and a half block deep, comprising about thirty thousand square feet of land. Subsequently they bought another block north of the plant and there established the warehouse. In 1880 they opened retail and wholesale lumber yards. During the early days most of their lumber was obtained from the forests in Michigan but now it is shipped from all parts of the United States. The firm is a member of the Ohio Lumber Dealers Association and also of the national organization. At the present time about seventy-five men are employed by the company, which owns five delivery trucks, operating within a radius of about sixty miles. The firm specializes in high class mill work and handles all kinds of building material in the wood line. Established upon the solid foundation of honor, quality, service and strength, the business has endured for fifty-nine years and throughout that period it has been conducted under the one name. During the last fifteen years the industry has expanded rapidly, keeping pace with the growth of Toledo, and today it is generally regarded as the leading institution of the kind in this

part of the country. Mr. Puck is the possessor of executive ability of a high order and also has an unusual capacity for detail. He is vice president of the Metropolitan Mortgage Company, and a director of the Lumbermen's Mortgage Company, of which Mr. Sieving is the president, while the latter is likewise a director of the Lumbermen's Savings Association.

In 1896 Mr. Puck was united in marriage to Miss Louise Stamm, who was born in Toledo in 1875. Her parents, Michael and Louise Stamm, were natives of Switzerland and came to the United States in 1870, settling in Toledo. The father was a dealer in meat and engaged in the business for many years with gratifying success, retiring in 1908. Mr. and Mrs. Puck adhere to the Lutheran faith and are zealous church workers. Mr. Puck loyally supports every project destined to prove of benefit to Toledo and is a native son whose record reflects credit and honor upon the city.

CHARLES A. STRAUCH

For forty-three years a member of the Fostoria bar, Charles A. Strauch has aided materially in upholding its prestige, at the same time achieving success as a legal practitioner, and is also active in public affairs. A native of Morrow county, Ohio, he was born January 20, 1860, and his parents were the Rev. Henry T. and Lydia (Fogt) Strauch, both now deceased. He received a public school education and when a young man began the study of law under the direction of Nelson B. Lutes and Porter H. Jane of Tiffin. In 1886 Mr. Strauch was admitted to the bar and has practiced in Fostoria since July 5th of that year. He has never lost the attitude of a student toward his profession and time has ripened his ability. His cases are prepared with thoroughness, precision and skill and presented with clearness, logic and force. He is accorded a large and important clientele and is a director of the Commercial Bank and of the Fostoria & Fremont Railroad Company.

On the 18th of May, 1887, Mr. Strauch was united in marriage to Miss Martha E. Weimer, of Pickaway county,

Ohio, and for more than forty years they have journeyed together through life. Mr. Strauch is a supporter of the republican party and for eight years was city solicitor, filling the office with marked ability. For a number of terms he has been a councilman, working at all times for the best interest of the city. Along fraternal lines he is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and was the first exalted ruler of the Fostoria Lodge. He is the oldest member of the Fostoria bar, is a member of the County and State Bar Associations and enjoys the esteem of his professional colleagues and those with whom he has been associated in other walks of life, for at all points in his career he has been guided by high standards.

HENRY F. AUFDERHEIDE

As an enterprising merchant Henry F. Aufderheide was long an important factor in the business life of Toledo and throughout his career was animated by the spirit of progress, regarding no position as final but rather as a point from which he could climb to greater heights. He was born in this city, September 16, 1872, and was a son of Henry F. and Mary (Martin) Aufderheide, natives of Germany. When a young man the father sought the opportunities of the United States, settling in Toledo, and for several years he was connected with the C. H. Schroeder Company, sash and blind manufacturers, of which he was president for a number of years before his death. In the family were seven sons, of whom two died in infancy, while William died when a young man, and three, John, Louis and Frank, are now living and all residing in Toledo.

Henry F. Aufderheide, Jr., the seventh son, was a pupil in the public schools of Toledo and also a business college, and during vacation periods worked for H. E. Kuhlman & Company, thus gaining his first knowledge of the hardware trade. On completing his commercial course he was advanced to the position of bookkeeper, later acquiring a few shares of the stock of Kuhlman & Company, in which he eventually purchased a half interest. After W. A. Kuhlman

had purchased the interest of H. E. Kuhlman, the style was then changed to W. A. Kuhlman & Company. This copartnership existed for several years and at the end of that time Mr. Aufderheide became sole owner of the business, which he controlled until his death on the 25th of January, 1926. He carried a complete line of shelf and heavy hardware, closely studied trade conditions and was ever ready to supply the needs of customers. Through courteous, efficient service and honest dealing he retained their patronage and under his progressive management the business constantly expanded.

Mr. Aufderheide was married February 5, 1896, in Toledo to Miss Edith V. Wolf, the only daughter of Philip and Mary Magdalena (Scharer) Wolf, natives of Switzerland. Her father was called to his final rest in 1888, and her mother passed away in 1897. The union of Mr. and Mrs. Aufderheide was a most congenial one, their home life being ideal. Mr. Aufderheide loved fine driving horses and had the best procurable. Thoroughly appreciative of fine music, he attended many concerts and was deeply interested in all movements for the advancement of his city along cultural as well as material lines. He was a charter member of the Crescent Club and one of the early members of the Chamber of Commerce; a member of the Y. M. C. A.; director of the Retail Hardware Club and treasurer for a number of years until his death; and member of the Ohio Hardware Association, which he served as a director. His political allegiance was given to the republican party, while his religious views were in harmony with the doctrines of the First Reformed church, whose services he regularly attended, and was a liberal contributor toward its support. During the World war he served on various committees, doing all in his power to aid his country in its time of need. A model citizen and a business man of high standing, Mr. Aufderheide exerted a potent influence for good in his community and his passing was deeply regretted by all who enjoyed the privilege of knowing him.

Since the death of her husband Mrs. Aufderheide has given her personal attention to the management of the business, of which she is the sole owner, and also acts as distrib-

utor of the products of the Ohio Varnish Company throughout northwestern Ohio. In the conduct of her affairs she brings to bear broad vision and keen sagacity and under her able management the continued growth of the business is assured. It is housed in two structures, occupying the ground floor and second story of the building at 618-20 South St. Clair street, while the stock is stored in a large warehouse. Seven men are employed in the store, which is one of the oldest and largest hardware institutions in Toledo and has been maintained at the one location from the time the business was started. Mrs. Aufderheide resides at 418 Kenilworth avenue, where she has made her home for a period of ten years. She has long been active in the affairs of the Educational Club and the Woman's Club of Toledo and is also an earnest, helpful member of the First Reformed church. A firm believer in the doctrine of work, Mrs. Aufderheide has thoroughly demonstrated her capacity as a business woman and has also found time to foster those projects which make for civic growth and betterment.

KENNETH P. FOX

Kenneth P. Fox, who is engaged in the practice of law in Bellevue, is one of the best known men of the community in which he has spent his entire life, and because of his ability and sterling personal qualities is deservedly held in high esteem. He was born in Bellevue, December 7, 1898, and is a son of Clifford S. and Nellie G. (Van Gorder) Fox, of whom the former is engaged in railroad service.

Mr. Fox received his early education in the public schools of this city, graduating from high school in 1916. He entered Ohio State University, in which he pursued first the classical course and then the course of the law school, being graduated in June, 1924. Admitted to the bar in July of the same year, he at once entered upon the practice of his profession in Bellevue and has met with very gratifying success. He was elected city solicitor, serving two terms, from 1926 to 1929, in a very capable manner, and was a candidate for the office of prosecuting attorney of Huron county. Mr.

Fox is well grounded in the basic principles of jurisprudence, is careful and painstaking in the preparation of his cases and determined and resourceful in their prosecution, so that he has won the confidence of all who are familiar with his record. He is a member of the Huron County and Sandusky County Bar Associations and he commands the respect of his colleagues by reason of his close conformity to professional ethics.

Mr. Fox was married January 31, 1929, to Miss Audrey M. Fowler, daughter of R. E. and Clara Fowler, of Sandusky, Ohio. During the World war he served in the United States Reserves and is now a member of Liberty Post, No. 46, American Legion; and the Huron County Voiture, Forty Hommes et Eight Chevaux. He belongs to the Masonic order, is a member of Delta Theta Phi and attends the Baptist church. He supports the republican party and gives thoughtful attention to all matters which in any way affect the public welfare, because of which he is regarded as one of Bellevue's dependable citizens.

JOHN BARTLEY

Commercial development in Toledo has been stimulated by the well directed efforts of John Bartley, who is one of its wholesale grocers and substantial business men. He was born in Lucas county, December 27, 1865, a son of Gebhardt and Julia (Rittenburger) Bartley, natives respectively of Wurtemberg and Saxony, Germany. Gebhardt Bartley was one of twelve children who were separated after the death of their parents in Germany. In that country he followed the trade of a baker until 1853, when he came to the United States in company with his wife and three children, Gebhardt, Ferdinand and Rudolph A., all now deceased. He settled in the Maumee valley of Ohio and engaged in farming near Perrysburg for a number of years, subsequently removing to Toledo. He was a devout member of St. Mary's Roman Catholic church and gave his political support to the republican party. His demise occurred in this city in February, 1889, when he had reached the seventieth milestone on

life's journey, and his wife attained the venerable age of eighty-four years. They are survived by six children: Elizabeth, the wife of Isadore Momelee of Toledo; Rose, who is Mrs. Peter Burnor, of Toledo; Julia, the wife of Napoleon Cousinor; John; Joseph, who married Miss Emma Leroux; and Henry, whose wife was a Miss Herman. All are residents of Toledo.

John Bartley attended the public schools of Momencetown, Ohio, and aided his father in tilling the soil, remaining at home until he reached the age of nineteen. In 1884 he located in Toledo and for two years worked as a clerk for his brother, Rudolph A. Bartley, a retail grocer. When the latter opened a wholesale establishment at the corner of Summit and Cherry streets John Bartley was promoted to the position of stockman, which he filled for ten years, and was next a salesman in the office. In 1908 the building was destroyed by fire and the next morning the business was established at the corner of St. Clair and Monroe streets, where it was conducted for eight years. During that time John Bartley continued as a salesman and was also a buyer for the house. In 1916 a seven-story brick building was erected at the corner of Washington and Ontario streets for the use of the firm, which still occupies this substantial structure. In 1921 the business was incorporated as The R. A. Bartley Company, of which R. A. Bartley was elected president, and John Bartley was made vice president and treasurer. Following the death of R. A. Bartley on March 8, 1927, Charles W. Peckinpaugh assumed the duties of president and E. E. Kirby became secretary of the company. John Bartley still fills the offices of vice president and treasurer and has devoted his life to the upbuilding of the business, which extends throughout Ohio, Indiana and Michigan. The principles of honor and integrity have been determining factors in its growth, and seasoned in experience and service, the firm remains young in spirit and ever new in outlook, always fresh in response to progress. Without doubt there is no similar house in the city that enjoys more advantageous trade relations and certainly none which offers more substantial inducements to patrons.

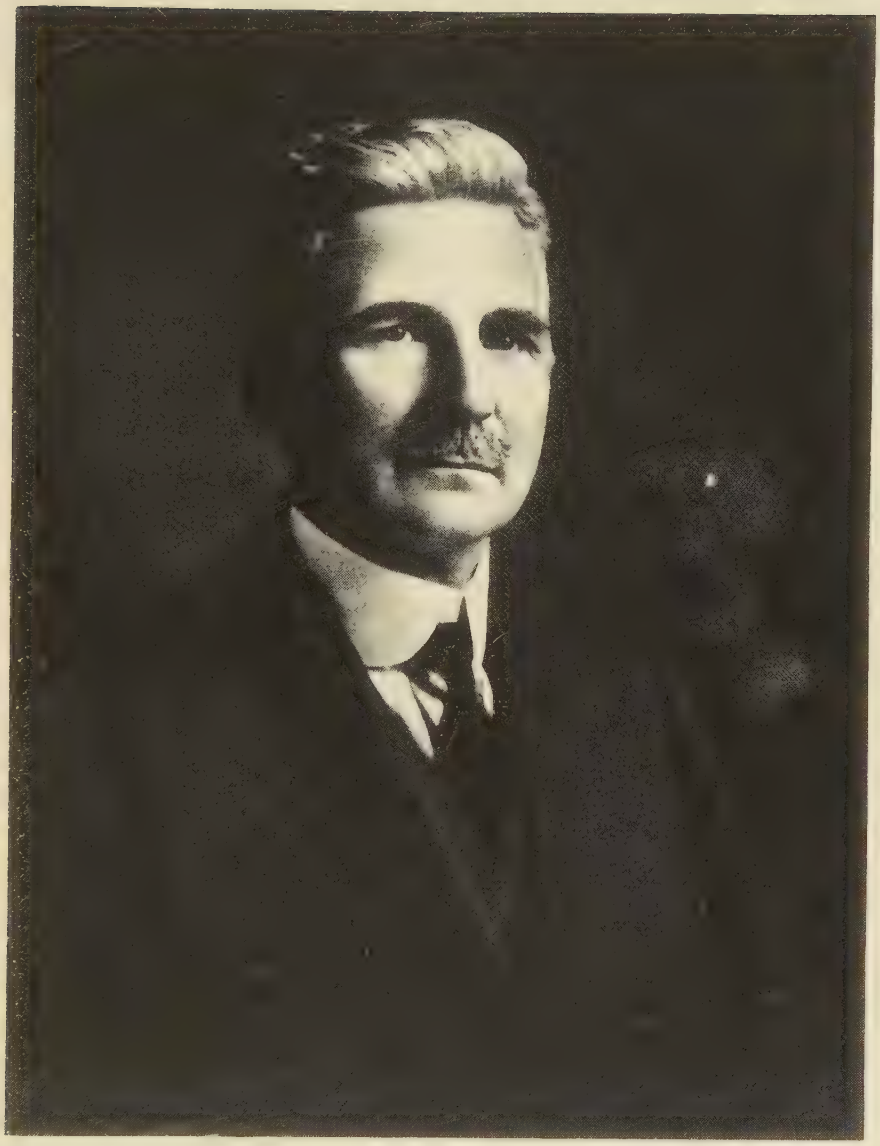
On November 12, 1891, Mr. Bartley was married in St. Mary's Roman Catholic church of Toledo to Miss Julia Schnei-

der, who was born April 17, 1868, in this city and attended St. Mary's parochial school. Her father, George Schneider, followed the trade of a printer and set in motion the first press operated by steam power in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Bartley have five children: Lawrence R., who is a salesman for the R. A. Bartley Company and who married Miss Ruby Albert of Toledo; Grace Mary, a nun in the Ursuline convent of this city; Loretta B., the wife of Louis Malone, of Detroit, Michigan; Ethel B., who was united in marriage to Dr. Martin De Thelm, of Toledo; and Virginia, at home.

During the World war Mr. Bartley promoted the sale of Liberty bonds and also furthered the success of other drives promulgated by the government at that time. In politics he is an independent voter and stands for progress, reform and improvement in public affairs. He adheres to the Roman Catholic faith and is connected with the Knights of Columbus. A sagacious, farsighted business man, he is keenly alive to every new avenue opened in the natural ramifications of the grocery trade and is always prepared for a possible emergency. His outlook upon life is broad, and the firmness, frankness and strength of his character have won for him a secure place in the esteem of Toledo's citizens, who speak of him in terms of admiration and respect.

JOHN H. HOUSHOLDER

John H. Housholder, treasurer of the Electric Auto-Lite Company, is one of Toledo's able and experienced business men, being financially interested in a number of important organizations, and he has met with a very satisfactory measure of success. He was born near New Rochester, Wood county, Ohio, on the 28th of November, 1866, a son of Louis and Samantha (McCreary) Housholder. He comes of an old Ohio family, his great-grandfather, Adam Housholder, having been a native of Jefferson county, this state. He followed farming throughout his active life and died at Scotch Ridge, Wood county. He married Phoebe Corbett, who also was a native of Jefferson county and died at Scotch Ridge at the age of ninety-four years. They were the parents of John



J H Haushalden

Housholder, who was born in Jefferson county; followed farming, and died near Bowling Green, Wood county. He married Rebecca Lowry, who was born in Jefferson county, Ohio, and died in Indiana at the age of ninety-four years. Among the children born to them was Louis Housholder, father of John H. He was born in Jefferson county, September 5, 1835; was a farmer by occupation, and was a veteran of the Civil war, serving as a sergeant in the One Hundred and Forty-fourth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He belonged to the Baptist church and was an active supporter of the republican party, serving as township supervisor and a member of the school board. He died in Sandusky county, Ohio, October 30, 1881, as a result of exposure received in army service. His wife was born in Morrow county, this state, October 5, 1839, and is still living in Toledo at the age of ninety years. She is a daughter of George W. and Mary (Hayden) McCreary. Her father was born in this state, July 4, 1812, and died at the age of eighty-nine years. He was a farmer, cabinetmaker, contractor and builder, and was of an inventive turn of mind, having taken out a patent on the first threshing machine separator. He was a son of James and Margaret (Holt) McCreary, the former of whom was a farmer and a veteran of the War of 1812, in which he was wounded in the leg at Fort Miami. His wife was born in Morrow county, Ohio, and died at Cardington, this state.

John H. Housholder received his education in the public schools of Sandusky county and took a commercial course in Davis Business College of Toledo. For about a year he was employed as a clerk by the Gendron Wheel Company of Toledo, after which he was production manager of the St. Louis Refrigerator & Wooden Cutter Company at St. Louis for two years. Returning to Toledo in 1895, he became treasurer of the Colton Cycle Company, of Toledo, which position he held until 1900. From 1900 to 1909 he was one of the owners of the Union Firearms Company of Toledo and then for two years was a traveling salesman for Dr. Denton's mills, maker of children's underwear. In 1912 he became associated with the Willys-Overland Company and the Electric Auto-Lite Company, of Toledo, and has been treasurer of the latter organization from 1912 to the present time. He is also a direc-

tor of the Burt Foundry Company, the Ohio Savings Association and the Metropolitan Mortgage Company; treasurer of the DeJon Electric Company; and secretary and treasurer of the American Enameled Electric Magnet Wire Company of Muskegon, Michigan, and the Fostoria Machine & Tool Company, of Fostoria, Ohio.

On February 17, 1903, in Toledo, Mr. Housholder was united in marriage to Miss Jessie M. Dixon, a native of Toledo and a daughter of Thornton and Caroline (Coy) Dixon, both of whom are deceased. Mrs. Housholder is a graduate of the Toledo high school and is a member of the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church and the Toledo Women's Club. Mr. Housholder is a member of Damascus Lodge, No. 643, F. & A. M.; Toledo Chapter, No. 161, R. A. M.; Toledo Council, No. 33, R. & S. M.; St. Omer Commandery, No. 59, K. T.; Toledo Consistory and Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He was chosen president of the class of May, 1929, A. A. Scottish Rite. He is also a member of Anthony Wayne Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Sylvania Golf Club and the Catawba Cliffs Beach Club. He is a republican in politics and has always maintained a good citizen's interest in those things which affect the welfare of his city and county. A lover of outdoor life, he enjoys horseback riding, hunting and fishing. He possesses a forceful personality, is a man of ripe judgment in practical matters and is numbered among the progressive, capable and successful business men of Toledo. Mr. Housholder's residence is at No. 3565 Brookside road, Ottawa Hills.

WILLIAM A. GABEL

Among the prominent and influential citizens of Sandusky county, none is more highly esteemed than William A. Gabel, who for over a third of a century has been identified with the First National Bank of Fremont, of which he has been cashier for the past nineteen years and one of the important factors in its splendid growth and success. Mr. Gabel was born in Jackson township, Sandusky county, Ohio, in

1870, and is a son of Jacob and Magdalene (Darr) Gabel. His father was a pioneer of this locality, having come to Fremont in 1835, and was highly respected throughout the community.

William A. Gabel attended the public schools and St. Joseph's high school, after which he entered Ohio Normal University, at Ada, from which he was graduated in 1886. In March, 1887, he entered the employ of the Thomas & Grund Drug Company as clerk and bookkeeper, remaining with that concern until 1892, when he became bookkeeper in the First National Bank. He has remained with the bank continuously since, during which period he has held various positions, having been made assistant cashier in 1903 and cashier in 1910, which position he still holds. He has been a director of the bank for the past twenty-five years and is regarded as possessing high qualifications for the banking business, being a man of sound and conservative methods and clearheaded judgment, and all who have been associated with him have found him dependable under all circumstances. He is also a director and the president of the H. B. Smith Building and Loan Company, secretary of the Fremont Home Telephone Company, a director of the Fremont Manufacturing Company, and treasurer of the Sandusky County Agricultural Society.

In 1895 Mr. Gabel was united in marriage to Miss Barbara Hodes, of Fremont, daughter of Andrew and Anna (Gottron) Hodes, and they are the parents of six children; William A., Jr., of Fremont; Rev. Richard J. Gabel, D. D.; Dorothy, who married Walter Cronin; Emerence, who married Francis Wurzel; Clarence J., of Fremont; and Ambrose B., of Fremont. Mrs. Gabel is a member of St. Joseph's church. Mr. Gabel has been actively interested in the public affairs of his city and county and is rendering effective service as a jury commissioner and as a member of the county sinking fund commission. He is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, of which he has been treasurer for thirty-five years, and belongs also to the Knights of Columbus, the Kiwanis Club and the Chamber of Commerce and is a member of the board of trustees of the Birchard public library. His religious connection is with the

St. Joseph Roman Catholic church, and, deeply interested in music, he has been a member of St. Joseph's choir for the past forty years. A man of wide general information and broad views, he holds well defined opinions on the questions of the day and is regarded as one of Fremont's progressive, public-spirited and trustworthy citizens, commanding the uniform confidence and respect of all who know him.

HOMER METZGAR

Homer Metzgar, who for nearly a third of a century has been actively engaged in the practice of law in Clyde, is numbered among the ablest and most successful members of the Sandusky county bar and commands the uniform respect of his fellowmen. He was born in Seneca county, Ohio, in 1867,, and is the scion of one of the old and prominent families of that locality. His paternal great-grandfather, Henry Metzgar, who was a native of Pickaway county, Ohio, moved to Seneca county in 1829 and acquired a farm, which has remained in the family to the present time, having been owned successively by his son, Daniel (Homer Metzgar's grandfather) and grandson, Henry V., and later by his great-grandson, Jacob.

Homer Metzgar acquired his early education in the district schools of his native county and entered Heidelberg College, at Tiffin, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1890. He engaged in teaching school prior to the completion of his college course and after leaving college became professor of mathematics in Ozark College, Missouri, thence returning to Clyde. In 1896 he was admitted to the bar of Ohio, having previously applied himself intensively to the study of law, and has engaged in the practice of that profession in Clyde to the present time. He has given much attention to corporation law, in which he is regarded as an expert, and formerly had a large amount of business in that line outside of this locality. He has appeared as counsel in many of the most important cases tried in the courts of this county and has enjoyed a well merited reputation for his acumen, determination and resourcefulness in handling causes entrusted to his

care. He has been successful and is now preparing to retire from active professional work. He is an honored member of the Sandusky County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association.

In 1890 Mr. Metzgar was united in marriage to Miss Eleanor Hoeltzel, a native of Seneca county and a daughter of Henry and Adelia (Neikirk) Hoeltzel. Mr. Metzgar was for many years very active in his support of the republican party, having served as delegate to various local, state and national conventions. He was a delegate from the Thirteenth Congressional District of Ohio at the republican national convention at Chicago in 1908. He is now independent in politics, voting according to the dictates of his judgment as to men and measures. He has served as city solicitor, and also as superintendent of schools. He is a member of Monticello Lodge, Free and Accepted Masons, and Clyde Lodge, No. 126, Knights of Pythias. In former years he took an active interest in the promotion of the independent telephone companies and was influential in the construction of laws governing their operation. He is a great lover of outdoor life, fishing being his favorite form of recreation, and for this purpose he owns a place in northern Wisconsin, to which he makes annual trips. He is a man of sterling personal qualities and earnest purpose and during all the years of his residence in Clyde he has commanded the confidence of his fellow citizens. He has labored consistently for the advancement of the community's best interests and is regarded as one of its leading citizens.

C. VICTOR BECK

Earning his first money when a boy of eight by delivering newspapers, C. Victor Beck has continued throughout life an earnest, systematic and tireless worker and is now numbered among the successful business men and foremost realtors of Toledo. He was born in this city on the 4th of June, 1889, a son of Joseph A. and Catherine (Klentsche) Beck. His paternal grandfather was a native of Germany and migrated to Indiana early in the '60s, casting in his lot with the pio-

neer settlers of Peru. Joseph A. Beck was born in that town and received his education in the Hoosier state. About 1888 he removed to Toledo and remained here until his death in 1894. He was a prominent architect and designed many public buildings and private residences. Among his last contributions toward the city's architectural adornment were Liberty Hall and St. Anthony's church. His wife was also born in Indiana and still resides in Toledo. Her father was a native of Alsace, France, and her mother was born in Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Beck were the parents of five children, of whom four survive.

C. Victor Beck, the third in order of birth, attended parochial schools of Toledo and on completing his education secured a position in the office of the Ashley Realty Company. He remained with the firm for a number of years, acquiring a knowledge of all branches of the business, and in 1911 he entered the field independently. He prospered from the start and is now one of the largest operators in the city. The business is a specialized real estate service and includes property management, appraisals and acquisition work. Mr. Beck has studied the real estate business from every angle and is considered an expert in placing valuations upon property.

On October 16, 1912, Mr. Beck was united in marriage to Miss Helen McCarty, a native of Toledo and a daughter of George M. and Margaret (Kreiter) McCarty, prominent residents of the city. Mr. and Mrs. Beck have become the parents of four children: Margaret H., who was born October 27, 1913; Kathryn E., born October 12, 1915; Victor, Jr., born December 15, 1916; and Robert M., born August 21, 1922. The residence of the family is at No. 327 Islington street and Mr. Beck's office is located on the second floor of the Spitzer building.

In politics he is a republican, and his religious views are in harmony with the doctrines of the Catholic church. On December 15, 1928, he was elected president of the Toledo Real Estate Board. Formerly he was vice president of the local board and is also a member of the National Real Estate Exchange, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo Club and the Sylvania Golf Club. He also enjoys fishing and is an enthusiastic sportsman. A shrewd, farsighted busi-

ness man, he is fully alive to conditions in the modern commercial world and possesses the energy, aggressiveness and resourcefulness necessary to cope with them. His activities have been of direct benefit to Toledo, as well as a source of individual prosperity, and the firmness, frankness and strength of his character are well known to his fellow citizens, who entertain for him the highest regard.

PAUL H. CHAPMAN

Paul H. Chapman, one of the soldiers of the American Expeditionary Force, is now the executive head of The Barker, Frost & Chapman Company, a pioneer insurance firm of Toledo. He is successfully following in the business footsteps of his father and ably sustains the high reputation which has ever been borne by the family. He was born February 3, 1890, and is one of Toledo's loyal sons.

His father, Louis L. D. Chapman, was born in Lenawee county, Michigan, August 16, 1860. He was reared and educated in his native state and in 1866 settled in Toledo, where he spent the remainder of his life. For thirty-five years he was engaged in the insurance business and at the time of his death was president of The Barker, Frost & Chapman Company, successfully administering its affairs. He was also vice president of the Toledo Transfer Company and a director of the General Fireproof Storage Company. Mr. Chapman was a business man of high standing and also manifested a deep and helpful interest in civic affairs. His political support was given to the republican party and in religious faith he was a Roman Catholic. He attained the age of sixty-seven years, passing away March 22, 1927. His wife, Catherine (Wall) Chapman, was a native of Toledo and a daughter of Edward and Alice (Ryan) Wall.

Paul H. Chapman, an only child, was a pupil in district school No. 5 of Toledo and next attended St. John's College, from which he won the A. B. degree in 1910. Later he was a student in the agricultural college of the University of Wisconsin, completing his scientific course in 1912, and for four years thereafter was engaged in the manufacture of electrical

supplies under the name of the National Electrical Specialty Company. He then entered his father's insurance office, continuing as an employe until 1919, when he became a stockholder of The Barker, Frost & Chapman Company, and was made its secretary in 1922. In 1927 he succeeded his father in the office of president and is ably guiding the destiny of the company, of which John J. Lovett, Alfred J. Kaltenbach and Clarence J. Mallory are also officers. The business is located at No. 1120 Madison street and ranks with the largest of the kind in the city. It was founded in 1878 and has a record of fifty years of complete insurance service.

On September 25, 1920, Mr. Chapman was married in Toledo to Elizabeth M. Griffith, a native of this city and a daughter of Ellsworth L. and Marie (Osthaus) Griffith, the latter now deceased. The Griffiths came from Green Bay, Wisconsin, and in the maternal line Mrs. Chapman is of English and German lineage. Mr. and Mrs. Chapman reside at No. 2582 Monroe street and have one child, Sarah Jane, who was born December 23, 1924.

Mr. Chapman has a military record, which constitutes an important chapter in his life history. On the 17th of May, 1917, he enlisted at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, joining the Eighth provisional training regiment, and remained there until August of that year, when he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the field artillery. He was then ordered overseas and sailed from Hoboken in the early part of September. The transport took him first to Liverpool, England, and then to La Havre, France. After intensive training in the French field artillery school at Saumur he was assigned to Battery D of the One Hundred and Third Regiment of Field Artillery, attached to the Fifty-first Brigade of the Twenty-sixth Division. This was composed of men from New England and known as the "Y. D." or Yankee Division. Mr. Chapman joined the organization January 1, 1918, at Cuoetquidan camp, known as one of Napoleon's camps. He was in active service on three sectors, the Chemin des Dames, La Reine and Boucq and Chateau Thierry. In August Mr. Chapman was advanced to the rank of first lieutenant and ordered to return to America. He sailed from Brest, France, arriving at North Fork, Virginia, in Septem-

ber, 1918, and was honorably discharged at Camp Knox, Kentucky, in January, 1919. In 1926 he was chairman of Lucas County Council of the American Legion and in 1924 was made commander of Toledo Post, No. 335. He also belongs to the Forty and Eight, the social branch of the Legion, and to the Knights of Columbus, the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the University Club and the Heather Downs Country Club. A Roman Catholic in religious faith, he attends services at Toledo cathedral. He is allied with the republican party; is a member of the Toledo commission of publicity and efficiency, through appointment of the mayor, and tries to exert his best efforts in behalf of the city.

FRANK NAGEL

One of the most distinctive and widely known industries of northwestern Ohio is that conducted by the Crescent Manufacturing Company of Fremont, of which Frank Nagel is the owner. In the making of fine edged tools, chiefly surgical knives, this concern stands in the front rank in this country and enjoys a more than national reputation for the superiority of its products.

Mr. Nagel, a native of Sandusky county, was born in 1870. His father, Frank Nagel, Sr., who was one of the earliest settlers in this locality, was long engaged in the woodturning business. Frank Nagel acquired his education in the public schools and started to work in young boyhood. He learned the trade of toolmaking with the Herbrand Company, with which he remained for eight years. In 1899, with three others he organized the Crescent Manufacturing Company at Fremont and engaged in the manufacture of surgical knives and some other cutlery, practically all of which is razor edged. In the course of time Mr. Nagel bought the interests of his partners and is now the owner of the business, which, under his capable management has grown to large proportions. The well equipped plant is located at 624 East State street, where it has remained from the time of its inception, and it is thoroughly modern in every respect. Seventy-five men and two women are employed, practically all of whom are highly

skilled, and in this plant is produced a large per cent of the surgical knives used in this country, while the firm also has a large export trade to England and Canada, where the goods have a well established reputation. Mr. Nagel takes a justifiable pride in the high quality of his products and is regarded as one of Fremont's leading business men. In addition to his manufacturing interests, he is a director of the Liberty Bank and president of the Fremont Metal Body Company.

In 1900 Mr. Nagel was united in marriage to Miss Mary Brown of Fremont, daughter of Jacob Brown. She is a Lutheran in her religious faith and has long been active in the social affairs of this city. Mr. Nagel is a member of Brainard Lodge, No. 336, F. and A. M.; Fremont Chapter, No. 64, R. A. M.; Fremont Council, No. 64, R. & S. M.; Fremont Commandery, No. 56, K. T.; and Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R. He also belongs to Fremont Lodge, No. 169, B. P. O. E. He is a member of the Manufacturers Association of Ohio and gives his political support to the democratic party. Keenly interested in the affairs of his community, no measure for the advancement of the public welfare has lacked for his earnest support. Because of his business ability and success and his splendid personal qualities he is regarded as one of Fremont's best citizens and well worthy of the high place which he holds in public regard.

JAMES E. AITKEN

The door of opportunity is ever open to the alert and the rewards of victory are for those who dare. Endowed with the requisite courage and initiative and the equally essential qualities of energy and determination, James E. Aitken has passed far beyond the ranks of the many, taking his place among the successful few, and is the executive head of a large radio corporation of Toledo, while he also has business interests in other cities. A native of Canada, he was born on Prince Edward Island, February 28, 1891, a son of George William and Damaris (Westway) Aitken. The father has passed away but the mother still resides in the Dominion.

James E. Aitken attended the public schools of Montague and Charlottetown, Canada, and also had the advantage of a course in a business college. His start in life was gained as a clerk in a fishing station on Prince Edward Island and for two seasons he filled that position, afterward working on ranches in the province of Saskatchewan for a year. In 1909, when eighteen years of age, he crossed the United States border and located in Boston. While in that city he became identified with the paint business, gaining experience it its various phases, and his work included much traveling. When the radio was established on a stable commercial basis he became interested in the business and invested his savings therein. In May, 1922, he organized the Aitken Radio Corporation, which was incorporated under that name in 1926, and in addition to the Toledo institution he has three similar establishments, located in Cleveland and Dayton, Ohio, and in Detroit, Michigan. He has kept not only in line with his competitors but ahead of them and has developed one of the leading radio firms of the country, manifesting notable sagacity and marked executive ability in the conduct of his affairs. He is national representative to the Boy Scouts of America from the Toledo area.

While in his native land Mr. Aitken joined the Canadian militia. During the World war he spent a year in overseas service, being attached to the Three Hundred and Twenty-fifth Supply Company, United States Army. He is now a member of the Reserve Officers Association and vice commander of Toledo Post of the American Legion. He is chairman of the aeronautical committee of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Toledo Aviation Club, the Toledo Advertising Club, the Yacht Club, the local Rotary Club, the Toledo Club, the Inverness Club, the Toledo Zoological Society, the Young Men's Christian Association and president of the Toledo Safety Council. Mr. Aitken is the organizer, president and treasurer of the Radio Securities, Inc., for financing radio sales, and a director of the National Radio Wholesalers Association. A Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, he holds the thirty-second degree in the order and is also identified with the Knights of Pythias. He gives his political allegiance to the republican party and is active in civic

movements and charitable enterprises. Mr. Aitken is deeply attached to the country of his adoption and manifests an unselfish devotion to the general good. A tireless, systematic worker, he has accomplished much for one of his years and is esteemed for the qualities to which he owes his success.

CHARLES OSCAR CUMMINGS

One of Wood county's capable and popular officials is Charles Oscar Cummings, who is rendering a high type of service as county auditor. He has long been actively identified with local public affairs and is regarded as one of the county's best citizens. Mr. Cummings was born at Tontogany, Wood county, on the 5th of August, 1875, a son of George W. and Margaret (Hannah) Cummings. He comes of a long line of American ancestors, his paternal great-grandfather having been Josiah Cummings, who was born in New England, June 1, 1795. On November 24, 1821, he married Miss Lucy Churchill, who was born in Massachusetts, April 6, 1797, and they became the parents of four children: Walter, Mary Ann, Abner and Clark. Walter Cummings was born July 12, 1924, in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, and after living in Summit county, Ohio, for a short time, was brought by his parents to Wood county, this state, when eight years old. Here he was reared on a farm. On May 1, 1851, he married Miss Olive Barlow, who was born on the Maumee river, January 8, 1826, and they became the parents of seven children: George W., Mrs. M. Augusta Gregg, Hattie S., Edwin, Josiah, Melvin B. and Mrs. Lucy Creswell. The mother died August 21, 1877, and subsequently Mr. Cummings married her sister, Miss Mary Barlow. His death occurred June 26, 1888.

George W. Cummings was born at Tontogany, Ohio, February 1, 1852, and was reared on his father's farm. He received his education in the district school and later taught school, but devoted the major portion of his life to agricultural pursuits, being known as one of the efficient and successful farmers of Wood county. He was married on March 26, 1874, to Miss Sarah Margaret Hannah, a daughter of

CHARLES O. CUMMINGS

W. P. and Elizabeth Hannah, farming people of Grand Rapids township, Wood county. To this union were born five children, of whom two grew to maturity: Charles O. and Edith. The wife and mother died in 1891, at the age of forty-five years, and later the father married Mrs. Jane Ketchum.

Charles O. Cummings received his educational training in the district and high schools at Tontogany, after which he took special work at Columbus, Ohio, and Olivet, Michigan. He attended Davis Business College in Toledo, Ohio, and was subsequently employed in that city for a short time. For about a year he was connected with a correspondence school of Scranton, Pennsylvania, and then returned to the home farm at Tontogany, to the operation of which he devoted his attention until 1925. During this time he served two terms as trustee of Washington township. In 1916 he was elected a member of the board of county commissioners and was afterward reelected, serving two years, while later he served two terms as deputy county auditor. In 1926 he was nominated by the republican party for county auditor and was elected, being the present incumbent of that responsible position. He is giving his close attention to the duties of his office, for which he is in every way well qualified, having shown himself a faithful and conscientious public official.

On April 25, 1900, Mr. Cummings was united in marriage to Miss Hattie C. Irwin, of Tontogany, a daughter of Samuel L. and Ida (Clark) Irwin, of Tontogany, both deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Cummings are the parents of a daughter, Olive M.

In his political affiliation Mr. Cummings has always been a republican and has shown a helpful interest in everything pertaining to the progress and prosperity of his city and county. Besides the offices above referred to he served as a member of the board of education of the Tontogany special school district for several years and was its president in 1913-14. He was also a member of the county board of tax revision in 1914. He is doing effective work as a member, trustee and director of the Bowling Green Kiwanis Club. Courteous and accommodating in his relations with the public and genial and affable in his social relations, he has won

a large circle of loyal friends and all who know him regard him highly for his sterling qualities of character and his successful public record. He is a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church and president of the official board. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and with the Masonic order, belonging to the following bodies: Tontogany Lodge, No. 451, F. & A. M., of which he is past master; Crystal Chapter, No. 157, R. A. M., of Bowling Green; and Bowling Green Council, No. 124, R. & S. M., of which he is past thrice illustrious master.

JUDGE JAMES HARVEY PLATT

Judge James H. Platt, a distinguished member of Tiffin's legal fraternity, has been the recipient of many important trusts and in every instance he has acquitted himself with dignity, fidelity and honor. He is judge of the court of common pleas, over which he has presided for fourteen years, establishing an enviable record as a jurist. A native of Columbiana county, Ohio, he was born August 22, 1854, and his parents were George and Eva M. (Faulk) Platt. The father was born in England but spent much of his life in the United States. For many years he followed the trade of a millwright and his demise occurred at Findlay, Ohio, in 1867.

James H. Platt attended the public schools of his native state and completed a course in Heidelberg University in 1875. Previous to his graduation he had taught school for one term and after receiving his diploma he continued as an educator for four years. In 1879 he began the study of law and was admitted to the bar in 1881. Locating in Tiffin, he became a partner of Judge Harrison Noble and in 1883 was made city solicitor. He served until 1887 and after an interval of two years was recalled to that office, which he filled until 1893. From 1903 to 1909 he was prosecuting attorney for Seneca county and during that period secured a large number of convictions. In 1914 he was called to the common pleas bench and was re-elected in 1920 and 1926. His decisions indicate breadth of mind, careful analysis and a thor-

ough knowledge of the law, and the justice of his rulings proves his moral worth.

Judge Platt was married July 31, 1883, to Miss Rosa M. Warner, who was a daughter of Jacob Warner and died September 6, 1912. She had become the mother of two children: Nevin E., who resides in Tiffin; and George R., of Barberton, Ohio. Judge Platt is a member of the Seneca County and Ohio State Bar Associations. Along fraternal lines he is connected with the Masons, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He was a member of the county board of school examiners for six years and of the city board for three years. He is one of the trustees of Heidelberg College and a strong advocate of the cause of education. Judge Platt has never courted popularity, caring more for the approval of his own conscience than for the applause of the public, and through his example and efforts he has inculcated among men high regard for the law and respect for its observance.

RUDOLPH A. BARTLEY

Beginning his commercial career at an early age, Rudolph A. Bartley rose from a humble position to one of power and influence through tireless effort and the force of his personality, and was long a recognized leader of the wholesale grocery trade in Toledo. He was a business man of exceptional ability and a citizen who would have been a valuable acquisition to any community. A native of Wittenberg, Germany, he was born in 1851 and when a child of two came to America with his parents, who established their home in Perrysburg, Wood county, Ohio, removing two years later to a tract of wild land in Oregon township, in the Big Ditch district.

When Rudolph A. Bartley was but eight years old his mother died, leaving him and two other children to the care of their father, a sturdy German who believed in work. By precept and example habits of industry were taught young Bartley during those years of early toil in the Black swamp. Although his only schooling was such as he obtained in the

district school when there was no work on the farm to keep him home, his mind was constantly set upon a mercantile calling. When sixteen years of age he was offered a position in Toledo, overcoming his father's objections to his leaving home by agreeing to pay him the sum of fifteen dollars every month until he became of age.

In the summer of 1867 R. A. Bartley arrived in Toledo with a cash capital of fifty cents and carrying a small bundle of clothing, which contained all of his worldly possessions. He had made the trip from the Big Ditch district on a load of hay and before night was installed as errand boy in the general store of H. & F. Barnes at St. Clair and Adams streets. His first salary was eight dollars per month and board. His worth was soon recognized and his salary was increased to fifteen dollars per month. A year later he was receiving a monthly stipend of twenty-five dollars from J. A. Spyer, the proprietor of a general store at Summit and Orange streets, and later his employer increased his salary to thirty-five dollars per month.

Through the exercise of thrift and self-denial Mr. Bartley accumulated a capital of two hundred dollars and by 1872 had paid his father in full. Securing a loan of one hundred dollars from B. F. Richardson, a friend, he embarked in business with a capital of three hundred dollars when a young man of twenty and in partnership with Enos Cousino opened a grocery store in Toledo. They occupied a small two-story building at 310 Summit street and saved expenses by sleeping in the store at night. They did all of the work themselves and delivered their goods in an old red push cart, lettered "Cousino & Bartley, Grocers." While their capital was limited, the young men had an abudance of energy and many friends. They prospered in the undertaking and during the ten years of their association their sales steadily increased.

In 1882 Mr. Bartley took over his partner's interest, thus acquiring control of the business. During the same year he became the proprietor of the retail grocery store of the J. C. Wuerfel Company and moved most of his stock to the Wuerfel building, a large double brick structure next door, utilizing the old storeroom as a warehouse. Meanwhile he had ventured into the wholesale field, which he found so profitable

that in 1887 he discontinued his retail activities, and in the same year secured more commodious quarters, occupying the Messinger building, a five-story edifice at the corner of Summit and Lynn streets. In 1897 a two-story warehouse was constructed adjoining the larger building and a year later a five-story structure was erected at the other end, so that the group of buildings covered the entire block from Lynn to Cherry streets on Summit. They were destroyed by fire in 1908 and for a while the business was conducted in temporary quarters at Monroe and St. Clair streets. In the interval Mr. Bartley had been searching for a suitable location, finally selecting the corner of Washington and Ontario streets, the highest point of land in the business district of Toledo. On this site he erected a seven-story and basement fireproof structure, one hundred and forty by one hundred and twenty feet, with a total floor space of more than five and a half acres, meeting every requirement of a large and growing trade. His annual sales exceeded two and one-half million dollars, and his became recognized as the largest individually owned wholesale grocery in the middle west. Mr. Bartley had a genius for successful administration, and his intuitive knowledge of the possibilities, opportunities and difficulties of a business situation enabled him to carefully avoid the latter while improving the former to the fullest extent. The business was incorporated in 1921 under the name of the R. A. Bartley Company, of which he became president, filling that office until his death on the 8th of March, 1927, at the age of seventy-five years.

By his own example Mr. Bartley demonstrated that a large employer of labor can be tremendously successful and yet so conduct himself toward his employes as to win and hold their respect, affection and devoted service. In fifteen years but two men were discharged from his employ. He was always just and considerate in his treatment of those in his service and was one of the first business men in Toledo to give his employes the benefit of the profit-sharing plan. This he inaugurated in 1903 and in 1921 gave each employe ten shares of stock in the R. A. Bartley Company. He had deep sympathy for the workingman and his democratic spirit inspired in his subordinates a warm feeling of comradeship

and an earnest desire to further the success of the company. At his home he fitted up a hall where from time to time his employes and their families gathered for social meetings as one great family. He was always the first to visit his men in sickness and adversity and showed his deep interest in their welfare in countless ways. By destroying the line usually drawn between employer and employe and by meeting his men with mutual confidence upon a plane of absolute equality Mr. Bartley solved the labor question, so far as his own establishment was concerned. He also found time for financial affairs, serving on the directorates of the Continental Savings Bank & Trust Company and the National Bank of Commerce.

In early manhood Mr. Bartley married Mrs. Hattie Josephine (Barnes) Dutton, of Adrian, Michigan, a daughter of Dr. L. B. and Olive Leaf (Evans) Barnes. Her father was a well known physician and surgeon of southern Michigan and northern Indiana and Ohio. During the latter part of his life he resided on a farm in Calhoun county, Michigan, near Union City, where both he and his wife passed away. Mrs. Bartley was born in Steuben county, New York, and was graduated from the high school at Coldwater, Michigan, afterward attending a college conducted by Professor Taylor in Lansing, that state. By her first marriage she had a son, Charles E., who now bears the name of Bartley and is living in Chicago, Illinois. His daughter, Virginia, was reared by Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Bartley and completed her studies in the Miss Mason School for Girls at Tarrytown, New York. She became the wife of Charles West Peckinpaugh of Toledo and the mother of three children: Charles West, Jr., Richard Bartley and David William. Having a great love for children, Mr. and Mrs. Bartley decided to adopt a boy and on visiting the Franklin County Orphans' Home they found a little lad named Harry, upon whom their first choice fell. As they were unwilling to separate him from his brothers, Frank and David, who were also inmates of the institution, they took the three boys into their home and educated them as their own children. Mrs. Bartley died December 3, 1928.

Of Mr. Bartley's public life the people of Toledo are well informed. In 1899 he first became active in local politics

as a member of the nonpartisan campaign committee, organized to secure the re-election of the late Mayor S. M. Jones. An intimate personal friendship existed between these two men to the end of Mayor Jones' life. Both came from the people and were beloved for their great-heartedness. Mr. Bartley served for five years on the board of education, of which he was president for two terms, and in 1907 was a candidate for the office of mayor in opposition to Brand Whitlock. For two terms Mr. Bartley was president of the Toledo Business Men's Chamber of Commerce, during which time he labored incessantly for the betterment of municipal conditions and for the material growth of the city. As a director of the Toledo Humane Society his time and means were freely given to the practical work of that organization. For a considerable period he was at the head of the Adams Street Mission, also accomplishing much good in that connection. He was likewise identified with the Masonic order, the Toledo Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. Mr. Bartley was greatly attached to his city and did all in his power to further its progress. He was ever influenced by an earnest desire to do right, and his genial disposition and unstinted generosity made him a citizen beloved by all who knew him. In 1907 Frank L. Mulholland wrote as follows of his character and achievements: "For forty years R. A. Bartley's life has been an open book in Toledo. His modesty, his many acts of charity and his courteous treatment of all with whom he comes in contact have won him a place in the hearts of his fellow citizens. His success in every line of endeavor attests his ability as well as his integrity. A practical student of municipal affairs, he has ever been upon the side of the people and deserves any honor they may bestow upon him."

JOHN P. NORTON

One of Fremont's outstanding industries is The Christy Company, manufacturers of high grade cutlery, of which John P. Norton is the capable and efficient superintendent. He has been identified with this concern for thirty-seven years and has been a large factor in the successful conduct of

the business, which has grown to enormous proportions. Mr. Norton was born in Fremont, Ohio, in 1873, and is a son of F. I. and Mariah (Elderkin) Norton, the former now making his home with his son, the mother having died in 1915. The paternal grandfather, Faulkner Isaac Norton, was successfully engaged in the manufacture of wagon hubs and spokes for many years and was active and prominent in matters affecting the early growth and development of his community. The maternal grandfather, John P. Elderkin, also was influential in public affairs, having served a number of terms as county treasurer. He formerly lived at Woodville, but later came to Fremont and engaged in the contracting business.

John P. Norton received his education in the public schools of his home city, and was first regularly employed by the National Carbon Company, with which he served his apprenticeship as a machinist. Later he worked for the Kilby manufacturing Company in Cleveland until 1891, when he returned to Fremont and entered the employ of the Christy Company, with which he has been connected continuously since.

The Christy Company was organized about 1889 or 1890 by Russ J. Christy, father of the present head of the business. It has always been engaged in the manufacture of cutlery, chiefly safety razor blades, which are sold through jobbers and retailed through the company's own sales force. The original plant was a modest affair, in which but six men were employed, but during the passing years the business has steadily grown until today between three hundred and four hundred men are employed, and last year an addition, eighty by eighty feet in dimensions and two stories in height, was built to the plant. Mr. Norton's first position with this company was that of a machinist, and by his loyal and efficient service he won deserved promotions, until in 1906 he was made superintendent of the plant and assistant manager of the business, in which dual capacity he is still serving.

On November 28, 1894, Mr. Norton was united in marriage to Miss Cora Fought, of Kingsway, Ohio, daughter of Allen and Elizabeth (Artz) Fought, the father now deceased. Mrs. Norton is a member of the Evangelical church and be-

longs to several clubs and other local organizations. Mr. Norton is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. Though he does not take a very active part in political affairs, he maintains a keen interest in everything affecting the progress and improvement of his community and is regarded as one of its solid and dependable citizens, commanding the sincere respect of all who know him.

HERMAN G. PFAENDER

A master craftsman, Herman G. Pfaender left the deep impress of his individuality upon his work and for many years was an influential factor in Toledo's upbuilding. Diligence and determination constituted the foundation upon which he reared the superstructure of success, and having accomplished something worth while, he is spending the sunset period of life in ease and comfort. He was born in Dundee, Michigan, June 14, 1861, a son of John George and Sophia Pfaender. The father was a native of Bavaria, Germany, and left that country when a youth of sixteen. Coming to the United States early in the '40s, he located in Monroe county, Michigan, where he was later married, and in 1872 migrated with his family to Lucas county, Ohio, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was a carpenter and also followed the trade of a sawyer. His wife, who was born in Monroe county, Michigan, of German parentage, passed away in 1866. They had a family of three children and two are now living, Herman G. and Christian F.

Herman G. Pfaender obtained his early instruction in his native town and continued his studies in the public schools of Lucas county. At the age of fourteen he began his apprenticeship as a carpenter and his first earnings were seventy-five cents a day. While thus employed he attended night school and furthered his education. He followed his trade as a journeyman until 1893, when he combined his capital with that of Christian F. Pfaender, and they embarked in the general contracting business under the name of Pfaender Brothers. Starting on a small scale, they soon established

the business on a paying basis and eventually became recognized as one of the foremost contracting firms of Toledo. They excelled as home builders, and their handiwork is exemplified in many of the city's fine residences. They also erected several large churches and did much to improve and beautify Toledo. The partnership was dissolved in 1919, at which time Herman G. Pfaender retired from business, and he now lives in Lulu, Michigan.

Mr. Pfaender was married January 14, 1893, in Lambertville, Michigan, to Miss Elizabeth Masters, who was born near Samaria, that state, and passed away July 7, 1907, in Toledo. She was a daughter of William and Julia Masters, natives of England, and was the mother of two children, Vernon H. and Norman W. In 1922 Vernon H. Pfaender reestablished the business in which his father engaged for so many years and in the intervening period the organization has regained the place of prominence it so long enjoyed under the control of Pfaender Brothers. The firm has always been noted for high class work and the name is synonymous with enterprise and integrity in business circles of Toledo. Vernon H. Pfaender maintains an office on the fourth floor of the Security building in Toledo and his residence is in Ottawa Hills.

Herman G. Pfaender is now affiliated with the First Methodist Episcopal church of Lulu, Michigan, and casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party. Although not an active factor in his son's business, he is deeply interested in the enterprise and has furthered its growth and prosperity through his wisdom, experience and advice. He lends the weight of his support to all worthy public projects, and an exemplary life has won for him a high place in the esteem of his fellowmen.

GEORGE J. MUNGER

George J. Munger, who was for nearly a quarter of a century engaged in the meat and grocery business in Perrysburg and for the past three years has devoted his attention to the insurance and real estate business, has spent his entire

life in this locality, where he is widely known and highly esteemed. He was born at Perrysburg on the 29th of August, 1882, a son of George and Elizabeth (Amon) Munger. His paternal grandparents were George and Elizabeth Munger, who were born in Bavaria and came to the United States in 1844 and 1845 respectively. The grandfather died in 1867, and his wife in 1887. Their son, George Munger, was born in Perrysburg, Ohio, November 27, 1854, and received a good education, graduating from high school, after which for several years he devoted his attention to farming. In 1879, in partnership with his brother John, he engaged in the wholesale meat and retail grocery business, with which he remained identifiefid until about three years ago, when he retired. He is president of the Citizens Banking Company of Perrysburg and vice president of the Perrysburg Tile & Brick Company. He is a democrat in politics and has served as a member of the city council. In his religious faith he is a Roman Catholic and belongs to the Knights of Columbus and the Exchange Club. He married Miss Elizabeth Amon on November 10, 1881, and they are the parents of four children, George J., Frank Clarence, Harold Henry and Marie Elizabeth.

George J. Munger received his early education in a parochial school and was graduated from the Perrysburg high school in 1900, after which he took a course in the Davis Business College in Toledo. He then became associated with his father in the meat and grocery business, to which he devoted his attention until they withdrew from that business in 1925, when he opened an insurance office in Perrysburg and has built a very satisfactory business. He is also secretary of the Steel Wool Products Company and a director of the Citizens Banking Company.

On October 7, 1907, Mr. Munger was united in marriage to Miss Minnie A. Rossbach, of Perrysburg, and they are the parents of three children, Elizabeth Mary, Cyril George and Paul Frank.

Mr. Munger has always supported the democratic party and has been active in local political affairs, having served for twenty-four years as a member of the county committee. He is now, under appointment by Governor Donahey, a mem-

ber of the Fort Meigs memorial commission. He belongs to the Knights of Columbus, the Woodmen of the World and the Exchange Club and is secretary of the Ohio Affiliated Exchange Clubs and treasurer of the Maumee River Scenic and Historic Highway Association. He possesses marked business ability, being a man of ripe and dependable judgment in practical matters, and throughout this community he is regarded as one of its solid and substantial citizens, well worthy of the respect and esteem in which he is uniformly held.

HOMER H. HEATH, M. D.

Dr. Homer H. Heath, one of Toledo's able and successful surgeons, is numbered among Ohio's native sons, his birth having occurred in Whitehouse, August 14, 1877. From pioneer times the family has been represented in this state. His father, Dr. Francis Marion Heath, was born at Heath's Corners, Ohio, a son of Nehemiah Heath, who resided at Heath's Corners, Roxbury, Massachusetts, prior to his removal to Ohio, at which time he settled on land that afterward became known as Heath's Corners. He was of English and Welsh descent, the ancestral line being traced back to Nathan Heath, who came to America from England in 1648 and settled in Trenton, New Jersey. One of his descendants, Captain William Heath, won his military title by service in the Revolutionary war, being numbered among those who participated in the battle of Bunker Hill and other important engagements which led up to the victory that ultimately crowned the American arms. Nehemiah Heath removed from Heath's Corners, Ohio, to Colton, this state. He married Miss Betsy Davis, a representative of an old New England family, and they became the parents of Francis Marion Heath, who won distinction in connection with the practice of medicine at Whitehouse, Ohio. He was reared in Colton, where he pursued his early education, and afterward attended Oberlin College, while in preparation for a professional career he studied in the Northwestern Ohio Medical College. In early life he taught school at Whitehouse and after completing his medical course he returned to that place,

DR. HOMER H. HEATH

where he continued in active and successful practice throughout his remaining days save for the period of his service in the Civil war. He enlisted in the Sixty-eighth Ohio Volunteer Infantry and was wounded at the battle of Fort Donelson. After his recovery he reenlisted as a member of the One Hundred and Sixty-fifth Ohio Volunteer Infantry and was with that command until the cessation of hostilities. He married Abigail Kimber, who was born at Whitehouse, Ohio, and whose mother, Mrs. Harriet (Mullen) Kimber, was the first white woman to settle near Aetna, Ohio, whence she removed to Whitehouse. Harvey Kimber, the grandfather of Dr. Heath in the maternal line, made the trip to California in 1849, following the discovery of gold, and had started to return to his home when death overtook him near Sacramento, California. He had made his way to Ohio on the first canal boat that was brought into the state. His daughter, Mrs. Abigail Heath, spent her entire life in this state, and, like her husband, has passed away. The death of Dr. Heath, following a long life of usefulness and service to his fellowmen, occurred at Whitehouse, June 26, 1896, while his wife survived him for thirty years, passing away in Toledo, April 12, 1926, at the age of seventy-six years.

Dr. Homer H. Heath, who was an only child, began his education in the public schools of Whitehouse, also studied at Liberty Center and later in Toledo before entering the preparatory school of Hiram College, from which in due course of time he was graduated with the A. B. degree as a member of the class of 1899. The following year he took up the study of medicine, reading under the direction of Dr. George W. Crile of Cleveland, Ohio, and also pursuing the regular medical course in the Western Reserve University of Cleveland, from which he was graduated in 1903, the M. D. degree being at that time conferred upon him. On the 6th of June, 1904, he opened an office in Toledo, where he has since built up a large practice in surgery, confining his efforts to major operations. He is particularly skillful and at all times keeps in touch with the latest scientific researches and discoveries. His ability is attested by his colleagues and contemporaries in the profession as well as by the general public and his professional duties make constant demand upon his time. True

to the strain of patriotism which has always characterized the family, Dr. Heath served in the Spanish-American war in 1898, enlisting in the Sixth United States Regulars, serving as a pharmacist at Fort Thomas, Kentucky, in the United States General Hospital. During the World war he represented the United States surgeon general in charge of the nitrate plant at Toledo and of other war industries. With the exception of these periods of public service he has given his attention almost entirely to surgical practice in Toledo. Since coming to Toledo he has been a member of the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital and of Flower Hospital, chief of staff at the Toledo Hospital, chief of the surgical division of the Lucas County Hospital and chief surgeon at the Woman's and Children's Hospital. He was associated with Dr. George W. Crile in the publication of a work entitled "Blood Pressure in Surgery" and he has also written many articles for publication in medical journals and for the various medical societies to which he belongs. He has membership with the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Medical Associations and is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

On the 1st of March, 1905, Dr. Heath was married in Waterville, Ohio, to Miss Pamelia Pray, a daughter of John L. and Pamelia (Hall) Pray, both representatives of old and well known families of Lucas county and descendants of early colonial ancestry. The grandfather of Mrs. Heath conducted the old historic grist mill at Waterville. Mrs. Heath is a native of Lucas county and by her marriage has become the mother of two children. Catherine A., the elder, born June 21, 1907, was graduated from Scott high school and completed her education in France. She is now technician at Lucas County Hospital. Frank L. Heath, who was born June 10, 1911, is a member of the class of 1930 at St. John's Military Academy of Delafield, Wisconsin. Mrs. Pamelia Heath is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, of the Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America, the New England Women's Association, the Daughters of American Colonists and Daughters of the War of 1812. During her residence in Waterville she served through all the chairs of the local chapter of the Eastern Star and is now affiliated with Palestine Chapter at Toledo. The family re-

sides at 923 Prospect street and the Doctor has his office at 316 Michigan street. He finds his diversion in sailing and fishing and he also enjoys the social activities afforded in the Toledo Club, the Torch Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. He has membership in the Chamber of Commerce and in the Rotary Club and gives his political allegiance to the republican party. He is a loyal follower of Masonic teachings, belonging to Rubicon Lodge, F. & A. M. He has ever recognized the duties and obligations as well as the privileges of citizenship and his cooperation is an asset in the support of progressive public measures. He has, however, comparatively little time for outside interests, owing to the continuous demand made upon him for professional service; and to this he gives the best that is in him, and that best is acknowledged of superior order by all who know aught of his effective activities in the field of surgery.

JAMES HARRINGTON BOYD, B. A., M. A., D. Sc.

James Harrington Boyd, an active and successful representative of the legal profession in Toledo during the past quarter of a century, has won merited distinction as the author and leading promoter of the Ohio workmen's compensation law, on which he is a noted authority. For the following interesting record of his career we are largely indebted to biographies appearing in "Ryan's History of Ohio," published in 1913, and "Toledo and Lucas County, Ohio," which was published in 1923.

Mr. Boyd was the chairman of the notable commission appointed by Governor Harmon under the legislative act in 1910, "to inquire into the question of employers' liability and other matters." As the result of the hearings and investigations of the commission, he drafted the original bill creating the State Liability Board of Awards, which became a law in June, 1911; and he was special counsel for the state in a case brought before the supreme court to test the validity of the act and unanimously decided by that tribunal in the state's favor (1912). Mr. Boyd is probably the most conspicuous American advocate of the distinctive policy of state com-

pulsory insurance for the protection and benefit of workmen and their dependents, and has devoted much of his time and energy to the promotion of this cause throughout the United States generally and also in Canada. He is the author of the standard book on the subject of workmen's compensation systems.

He was born in Keene, near Coshocton, Coshocton county, Ohio, December 7, 1862, son of James and Mary (Ross) Boyd. On his father's side he is of Scotch-Irish descent. His paternal grandparents were early settlers in Coshocton county, and his father was a lifelong resident there, successfully engaged in agricultural pursuits, active and prominent in the church, a justice of the peace, and altogether a respected and useful citizen. The grandmother of Mr. Boyd was a native of Kentucky and was a grandniece (maternally) of the renowned pioneer, Daniel Boone.

Reared on the home farm, James Harrington Boyd received a district and village school education until the age of sixteen and was then a student in Coshocton high school. After teaching country school for one year he prepared for college in the Wooster (Ohio) University from 1881 until 1883 and then entered Princeton College, from which he was graduated as Bachelor of Arts in 1886. During the year 1886-87 he held the mathematical fellowship of that institution, and in 1888 the Master of Arts degree was conferred upon him. In the year 1927 he was honored by his alma mater with membership in the scholastic fraternity Phi Beta Kappa, which was not in existence at Princeton when he graduated. He was professor of mathematics in Macalester College at St. Paul, Minnesota, for some two years, when he went abroad, and from 1890 to 1893 pursued advanced studies in mathematics and physics at the University of Gottingen, Germany. In 1892 he received the degree of Doctor of Science from Princeton. Becoming connected with the teaching staff of the University of Chicago in 1893, he served as tutor of mathematics until 1895 and as instructor of mathematics from 1895 to 1902. While there he was president of Lincoln House three years and treasurer of the Quadrangle Club in 1900-01. Resigning his position in the university, he entered the Harvard Law School, where he took a

special course in 1902-03, and was then admitted to the bar. Since the year 1904 he has been successfully engaged in the practice of his profession in Toledo. He represented the Ohio Bar Association at the annual convention of the American Bar Association held in Portland, Maine, in August, 1907; and he was a member of the committee on judicial administration and legal reform of the Ohio Bar Association in 1909. At the election of 1908 he was the democratic candidate for judge of the circuit court in the sixth judicial district. While studying in Germany in 1903, Mr. Boyd became interested in the principles and operations of the workmen's industrial insurance system of that country, instituted in 1883 as a government policy by the influence of Prince Bismarck. He afterward familiarized himself with the workings of the German system from year to year and with the results following the adoption of similar measures in other countries.

At the Ohio legislative session of 1910 an act was passed (senate bill No. 250) which provided for the creation of a so-called Employers' Liability Commission to "inquire into the question of employers' liability and other matters." The commission was appointed in June of that year by Governor Harmon and consisted of five members: James Harrington Boyd of Toledo; J. W. Perks of Springfield; W. J. Rohr of Cincinnati; W. J. Winans of Galion; and J. P. Smith of Cleveland. Mr. Boyd was elected chairman. From September to the early part of December twenty-seven hearings were held in the cities of Dayton, Cincinnati, Youngstown, Cleveland, Toledo and Columbus. Under the direction of the commission a special investigation was made by experts, at a cost of seven thousand dollars, concerning the economic effects of industrial accidents in Cuyahoga county during the years 1905-10 upon married and single men and their dependents. In the month of November, 1910, Mr. Boyd was in attendance at the notable Chicago conference of employers' and workmen's compensation commissions, in which ideas were exchanged by representatives of the United States government and various states, and he took an active part in its proceedings.

The Ohio commission continued its sessions in Columbus

from December, 1910, until the latter part of April, 1911. An elaborate report, embodying its transactions and findings, was compiled and submitted to the twenty-ninth general assembly, together with a bill (house bill No. 282, introduced by Mr. Black), which comprehended its conclusions. The report was quite distinctively the personal work of Chairman Boyd, and the bill was drawn by him. After being debated and passed with various amendments in the two houses, the measure was agreed to in its final form by conference committee, repassed almost unanimously, and approved by the governor on the 15th of June, 1911. Upon the completion of its labors the commission went out of existence, having devoted nearly a year of continuous work to its important duties. The cost of its services to the state—including the Cleveland investigation and the publication of ten thousand copies of its report—was some sixteen thousand dollars for incidental expenses.

It was stipulated that the act should take effect on the 1st of January, 1912, but owing to the tendency in the supreme court at the time of the case to test the question of constitutionality, it did not come effectively into operation until the following March. As already noticed, Mr. Boyd represented the state as special counsel in the test case, which was unanimously decided in favor of the state (January 12, 1912). An adaptation of his very able brief on that occasion, embodying both the economic and legal basis of compulsory industrial insurance for workmen, was published in the Michigan Law Review for March and April, 1912, and has since been reprinted in pamphlet form.

Without attempting an analysis of the somewhat elaborate act of 1911 (which is readily accessible to all interested readers), its principal provisions may be summarized as follows: 1. A State Liability Board of Awards (consisting of three members) was created, which was charged with the administration of the act. 2. Classification of employments with respect to hazard was directed, as a basis for fixing rates of premium. 3. Every employer having in his service five or more workmen regularly was, upon payment into the state insurance fund of the required premiums, exempted from liability for damages at common law or by statute on

account of the death or injury of any employe, except that the right of court proceedings was reserved to employes or dependents in certain limited cases. 4. Every employe or surviving dependent applying to the state board for an award, was declared to have waived the right of court proceedings; and conversely every such person exercising the option of court proceedings was debarred from receiving a state award. 5. Ninety per cent of the assessed premium in every case was required to be paid into the state insurance fund by the employer, and ten per cent by his employes. 6. All awards on account of injury or death were made calculable on the basis of sixty-six and two-thirds per cent of the earning capacity of the individual concerned, payments to continue not exceeding six years and not to exceed in any case more than twelve dollars a week or a maximum of three thousand, four hundred dollars.

It will be observed that the essential feature of the act of 1911 was its substantially compulsory character. However, in its compulsory arrangements it fell somewhat short of the recommendations of the commission. On the other hand, the commissioner's bill fixed a maximum of only sixty per cent of average earnings as the basis of awards—whereas the legislature allowed sixty-six and two-thirds per cent. On the whole, the legislature quite satisfactorily and thoroughly met the expectations of Mr. Boyd and his associates; and when the new law, fully sustained by the supreme court, went into comprehensive operation at the beginning of March, 1912, it was regarded by the advocates of state compulsory industrial insurance as one of the most advanced measures of its kind.

The underlying incentives and motives of this and similar legislation elsewhere have been most forcibly and completely presented by Mr. Boyd in many formal addresses, as well as in his important published work, which will presently be referred to. A study of carefully compiled statistics, both in this country and abroad, demonstrates (to quote from Mr. Boyd) "Not only that the common (and liability) law remedy in its present form does not furnish compensation of any kind in to exceed twelve per cent of the cases of injury to employes, and even in those cases in which compensation is paid, the compensation paid does not on the average exceed

one-fifth of what is regarded as adequate compensation—but also that no modification of the common law remedy can be made whereby these results will be materially improved; hence the old common law remedy must be abandoned and a new remedy substituted therefor." An examination of the detailed facts in support of these remarkable statements is exceedingly interesting, and shows beyond question the utter inability of the average workman and his dependents to recover substantially for injuries by any process unassisted or unguaranteed by the state. The imperative obligation of society to assume the responsibility for compensation for injuries and fatalities in the industries is evidenced by statistics which prove that only about twenty-eight per cent of such injuries and fatalities is occasioned by the exclusive fault of the workman, whereas the remaining seventy-two per cent is attributable in largest part to the inevitable risk of the industries and in minor but still very appreciable degree to the direct fault of the employer, or of employer and workmen jointly. The foregoing is of course only a very brief and imperfect indication of the economic basis of state compulsory industrial insurance, but it expresses the elements of the subject, from which has been evolved the present extensive movement.

The Ohio act of 1911 was very considerably amended by an act passed by the eightieth general assembly and approved by Governor Cox on the 14th day of March, 1913. This measure retained the sixty-six and two-thirds percentage of average earnings as the basis of awards; extended the benefits of the law to all employes of the state, county and local governments; abrogated the requirement for a payment of ten per cent of the premium by employes and required the entire premium to be paid by employers; and noticeably intensified the compulsory spirit and effect of the system. On the other hand, it introduced an innovation by extending to employers of certain financial standings the option of making direct compensation for injuries and deaths among their own employes, and thus withdrawing as contributors to the state insurance fund—subject, however, to the satisfaction and supervision of the State Liability Board of Awards. Altogether, the tendency of the amendments of 1913 is more fully

to put into effect the recommendations of the original commission headed by Mr. Boyd.

Among the noteworthy addresses delivered by Mr. Boyd at various times on the subject of compulsory industrial state insurance to compensate workmen or their dependents for injuries or fatalities the following may be mentioned: before the Ohio State Board of Commerce at Columbus, November 17, 1910 (see Legislative Reference Department, Ohio State Library); before the National Civic Federation in New York, December 18, 1910 (see Proceedings of National Civic Federation, 1911); before the Ohio State Bar Association at Cedar Point, July 12, 1911 (see Proceedings of same, 1911); before the Employers' Liability and Workmen's Compensation Commission of the United States at Chicago, October 17, 1911 (see Hearings of same for 1911, page 717); before Sir William Ralph Meredith, C. J., C. P., sole commissioner on workmen's compensation of Ontario, at Toronto, January 15, 1912 (see Interim Report, Workmen's Compensation Commission of Ontario, 1912); before the Manufacturers' Association of Central Canada at Berlin, Ontario, February 15, 1912 (see the Berlin News Record, February 17, 1912); before the committee on judiciary of the house of representatives, sixty-second congress at Washington, March 15, 1912 (see Hearings of same on H. R. 20,487, S. 5,382, March 15 and 26, 1912, page 4); and before the Pennsylvania Accident Commission at Pittsburgh, April 15, 1912 (see Report of same).

In the year 1913 Mr. Boyd published an exhaustive work entitled "A Treatise on the Law of Compensation for Injuries to Workmen under Modern Industrial Statutes" (two volumes, 1,670 pages; Bobbs-Merrill Company, Indianapolis). This is the first complete presentation of the subject and embodies the history of development in the United States and foreign countries, complete texts of all state acts, every construction placed upon each state act, all foreign acts and schedules, all the procedure, law and forms, etc.

During his early career Mr. Boyd wrote and published several valuable contributions to mathematical literature, including Boyd's "College Algebra," a translation of Bricot and Bouquet's "Geometrie Analytique," and various mathemati-

cal papers. He has also been a frequent writer for legal journals and the general press on miscellaneous topics. Mr. Boyd has published the following legal papers: 1. "Workingmen's Insurance"—The World Today, July, 1911, page 821; 2. "Workmen's Compensation or Insurance of Workmen and their Dependents Against the loss of Wages Arising out of Industrial Accidents"—American Journal of Sociology, Vol. XVII, No. 4, page 540, January, 1912; 3. "Economical Basis of Compulsory Industrial Insurance"—Michigan Law Review, March, 1912, Vol. X, No. 5; 4. "Legal Basis of Compulsory Industrial Insurance"—Michigan Law Review, April, 1922, Vol. X, No. 6; 5. "Important Constitutional Questions, New in Form, Raised by the Texas Workmen's Compensation Act"—Yale Law Journal, Vol. XXV, No. 2, page 100, December, 1915; 6. "State Workmen's Compensation Acts and the Federal Employers Liability Act"—Yale Law Journal, Vol. XXV, No. 7, page 548, May, 1916; 7. "Socialization of the Law"—The American Journal of Sociology, Vol. XXII, No. 6, May, 1917; 8. "The Treaty Making Power of the United States and Alien Land Laws in the States"—California Law Review (University of California), May, 1918. Mr. Boyd's tastes and interests extend to departments of culture of a less scientific and precise character than those to which his former activities have been devoted. In recent years he has occupied himself somewhat as a collector, especially of colonial pewter, glass and ceramics. He is a member, among other organizations, of the Ohio and American Bar Associations and the American Academy of Political and Social Science. In politics, while generally taking an independent attitude in local affairs, he is a supporter of the democratic party on principle.

In Portland, Maine, on the 25th of March, 1896, Mr. Boyd was united in marriage to Susan Adams, daughter of John M. Adams. They are the parents of a son and two daughters, namely: James Harrington, Jr., who was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Kenyon College in 1925 and that of Master of Arts from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1927, and is now studying for his Doctor's degree at the latter institution; Helen, who is stylist for Macy

& Company of New York city; and Mary, an interior decorator of Chicago.

The following letter is one in recognition of Mr. Boyd's services to workmen's compensation, addressed to him by Justice Sutherland of the United States supreme court: "Thank you for your cordial letter of the 31st ult. I remember your appearance before the old Employers' Liability Commission, of which I was chairman, as well as the valuable information which you gave. Nobody in the country has done more to clear up the intricacies of Workmen's Compensation legislation than yourself."

FRED W. ROLF

One of Woodville's influential and highly esteemed citizens is Fred W. Rolf, cashier of the Woodville Savings Bank, whose circle of friends is almost co-extensive with the circle of his acquaintances. Born in Woodville in 1889, he is a son of Henry and Caroline (Fable) Rolf, the father having for many years engaged in the wagon and carriage business here. He attended the public schools of his home town, graduating from high school in 1908, after which he took a business course in the Tri-State College at Toledo, Ohio. About 1917 he entered the Woodville Savings Bank as a bookkeeper, remaining there until June, 1918, when he enlisted in the United States Army, being attached to the Three Hundred and Ninth Supply Train. He was sent overseas in September, 1918, served chiefly in Paris, and was honorably discharged from the service August 16, 1919.

In October of that year Mr. Rolf again entered the Woodville Savings Bank, and on the 16th of that month was made assistant cashier, which position he filled in a capable manner until January 13, 1927, when he became cashier, in which capacity he is still serving. He is a stockholder in the bank and is devoting his attention closely to its interests. The Woodville Savings Bank was organized on August 6, 1901, by William Keil, and its first cashier was Henry Rancamp. The original capital stock was twenty-five thousand dollars, which was later increased to fifty thousand dollars. The

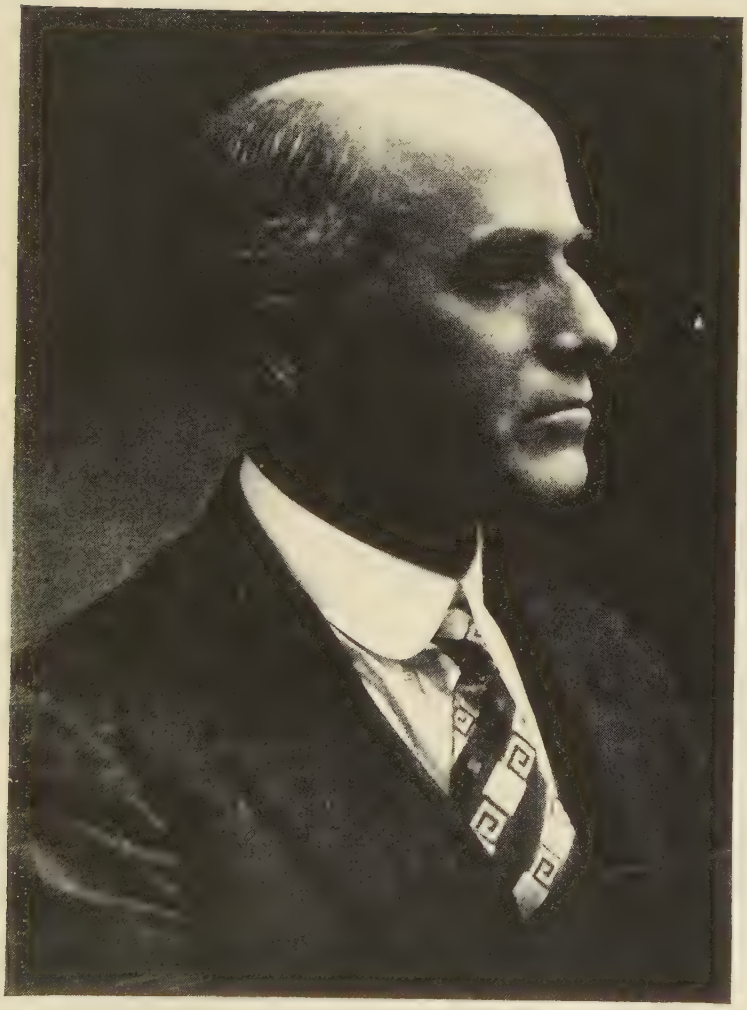
present surplus is thirty thousand dollars; undivided profits, twenty-one thousand dollars, and deposits, seven hundred and seventy-five thousand dollars. This institution has always been operated as a savings bank and has had a splendid record of steady and continuous growth, being regarded as one of Sandusky county's strong and influential banks. The president of the bank is Fred H. Hartman.

Mr. Rolf is a democrat in his political views, has served as clerk of the village for the past three years, and is an earnest member of the Lutheran church. He has been loyal and true in all of life's relations and to a marked degree commands the confidence and respect of his fellowmen.

HARRY HOUSEMAN FRAZIER

Important business and financial interests profit by the enterprise and ability of H. H. Frazier, who also achieved prominence in the educational field and occupies a central place on the stage of activity in Tiffin. A native of Zanesville, Ohio, he was born September 15, 1870, son of John A. and Mary (Houseman) Frazier, now deceased. The grandfather, William Frazier, was a native of the south and came from Virginia to Ohio in 1816, being accompanied by his son, John A. Frazier.

In the schools of Muskingum county, Ohio, H. H. Frazier obtained his early instruction and next matriculated in the Ohio Northern University, from which he was graduated in 1892, on the completion of a classical course. From 1892 until 1900 he was superintendent of schools at New Washington, Ohio, and in the latter year received the A. B. degree from Heidelberg College. In 1900 he came to Tiffin as principal of the Columbian high school, of which he had charge for twenty-seven years, doing notable work in that connection. He became recognized as one of the most able and progressive representatives of his profession in northwestern Ohio and contributed many valuable articles to the leading educational journals of the state. Mr. Frazier has been equally successful in other lines of activity and is vice president and trust officer of the Tiffin National Bank and president of the Fox Lumber



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& Supply Company. He is methodical and systematic and has the poise, wisdom and resourcefulness of the true executive.

Mr. Frazier was married August 15, 1894, to Miss Alice Ledman, of Muskingum county, daughter of James and Mary (Craig) Ledman, and they became the parents of two children: John, who died in 1898; and Faith. The daughter was graduated from Heidelberg College in 1920 and a year later received the M. A. degree in social science from Columbia University. In 1923 she obtained a degree in social administration from the Western Reserve University and is now connected with the Associated Charities of Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. Frazier is allied with the democratic party and served on the board of county examiners for two terms, or six years. His religious views are in harmony with the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal church, of which he is a consistent member and he is a trustee and treasurer of its building fund. He is a Knight Templar and Consistory Mason and a member of Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a past president of the Tiffin Chamber of Commerce and belongs to the Rotary Club and the Mohawk Golf Club. He is also a member of the board of trustees of the Tiffin Y. M. C. A. and of the board of trustees of Mercy Hospital Association. The elements were happily blended in the rounding out of his nature and his well developed powers have been used for worthy ends. His activities have covered a wide scope and his life has been crowned with success and fraught with the accomplishment of much good.

RAY DUDLEY AVERY

Ray Dudley Avery, who is accorded a large law practice in Bowling Green, has spent his life here and enjoys a high reputation for his ability, strong character and successful career. He was born in Bowling Green August 23, 1886, a son of Dudley H. and Ettie M. (Wiley) Avery and a grandson of Joshua O. and Harriet (Manley) Avery. Joshua O. Avery was born in Connecticut in 1828 and came to Wood county in 1852. He here followed farming during the remainder of

his life, except for the period when he was serving as a soldier in the Union army during the Civil war. Dudley H. Avery was born in Huron county, Ohio, April 11, 1857, and was educated in the public schools of Oberlin and the normal school at Fostoria. He engaged in farming in Plain township, Wood county, for about six years, and then turned his attention to commercial affairs, establishing a grocery store in Bowling Green. Later he engaged in the hotel business on Mackinac island, and on February 15, 1895, entered the hardware business in Bowling Green, as a member of the firm of Ross & Avery, who took over a business which had been established in 1857 by Captain Enoch Wiley. In this business Mr. Avery continued successfully until his death. In 1879 he was married to Miss Ettie M. Wiley, who was born in Perrysburg, Wood county, Ohio, September 23, 1857, and was a daughter of Captain Enoch Wiley, who was killed in action at the battle of Stone River during the Civil war.

To Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Avery was born a son, Ray Dudley. The latter received his early education in the public and high schools of Bowling Green, spent two years in Kenyon College, and then entered the law school of the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1910. In that same year he was admitted to the bar of Ohio and immediately entered upon the practice of his profession in Bowling Green. He conducts a general practice, in which he has been very successful, and is also attorney and a director of the Commercial Bank and Savings Company of this city. For two terms, from 1923 to 1926, inclusive, he was prosecuting attorney of Wood county, in which office he rendered highly efficient service. He is a member of the Wood County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association.

On June 19, 1913, Mr. Avery was united in marriage to Miss Mallie I. Ross, of Bowling Green, daughter of Frank P. and Luella (Marsh) Ross, and to them have been born two children, Dudley Ross and Barbara. Mr. Avery gives his political support to the Republican party and is a Presbyterian in his religious faith. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and a member of the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Bowling Green Golf Club and a director of the Ma-

sonic Temple. He belongs to the American Legion for he is a veteran of the World war, in which he saw active service. He had held a commission as captain in Company H of the old Second Regiment, Ohio National Guard, with which he served on the Mexican border, and when the United States became involved in the great European struggle, and the Second Ohio Infantry was broken up, he was transferred to the One Hundred and Twelfth Ammunition Train, Thirty-seventh Division, in which he also held the rank of captain, and with which he served eleven months overseas. Loyal and true in every relation of life and standing consistently for those things which contribute most to the public welfare, he is recognized as one of Wood county's best citizens and commands the uniform respect of all who know him.

EVA EPSTEIN SHAW

Endowed with a keen intellect and the capacity for sustained effort, Eva Epstein Shaw has become an able attorney and is one of the well known professional women of Toledo. She was born in New York city, November 11, 1891, a daughter of Harris and Bessie Epstein, and is a member of a talented family. Morris A. Epstein, the eldest son, was born April 1, 1896, and acquired his public school education in Toledo. He attended the University of Toledo and was graduated from the Ohio State University and St. John's University, winning the degrees of A. B. and LL. B. In 1919 he was admitted to the Ohio bar and began the practice of law in Toledo. Later he went to Detroit, Michigan, and is now in the advertising business in that city. He married Miss Mary Leona Hutton, a native of St. Joseph, Missouri. Jacob Willner Epstein, the second son, born March 5, 1899, was graduated from the Scott high school of Toledo and received the degree of LL. B. from St. John's University. He was admitted to the bar in 1920 and is now associated with his sister, Eva Epstein Shaw, in the practice of law. He enjoys an enviable reputation as an attorney and is a member of the Toledo and Ohio Bar Associations. In politics he is a Republican and in 1928 was a candidate for the office of lieutenant

governor of Ohio. He married Miss Sarah Master, a daughter of Aaron and Bessie Master, of Brooklyn, New York. Francis Willner Epstein, the youngest son, was born December 18, 1908, and after his graduation from the Libby high school took a three year pre-medic course at the University of Toledo, and is now a student at the Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery.

Eva Epstein Shaw, the only daughter, attended the Eastern District high school of Brooklyn, New York, and after coming to Ohio was a student at St. John's University and the University of Toledo, receiving the degree of LL. B. from the first named institution. She read law in the office of Harry E. King, a prominent Toledo attorney now deceased, and qualified for practice in 1918. She became a law partner of Ben W. Johnson and associates in 1919. Since 1922 she has engaged in general practice in association with her brother, Jacob W. Epstein. They occupy a suite of offices in the Spitzer building, and their legal learning and high professional standards have won for them a large and desirable clientele.

On the 11th of November, 1920, was solemnized the marriage of Miss Eva Epstein and J. Leo Shaw, who has been for many years a builder in Toledo. The daughter, Hannah Shaw, is a teacher of English in the Woodward high school of Toledo and a capable instructor. Mrs. Shaw is a member of the B'nai Israel synagogue and belongs to the League of Women Voters, the Toledo Chapter of the Hadassah, the Council of Jewish Women, and other organizations. In the affairs of the Young Women's Christian Association of Toledo she takes an active part, being especially interested in the work of the industrial department. In local politics she exerts a strong and beneficial influence and has held office in the Toledo League of Women Voters. Her professional affiliations are with the Toledo and Ohio Bar Associations. She has for several years served on the legal aid committee of the Toledo Bar Association. She is serving as state chairman of the committee on the legal status of women in the Ohio League of Women Voters—a subject on which she is exceptionally well informed. Mrs. Shaw is the author of the domestic relations court bill for Lucas county and also of the

bill to amend the marriage laws of the state by providing that five days elapse between the date of application for and date of issuance of a marriage license. Aspiring to that level of accomplishment which counts for good in behalf of humanity, Mrs. Shaw has used practical methods in the attainment of her purpose and is one of the brightest stars in Ohio's constellation of women.

FRANK TILDEN DORE

Frank T. Dore, inheriting the mental alertness and strong physique of his paternal and maternal ancestors, has made the most of these endowments and is accorded a place of prominence in legal circles of Tiffin. He was born in this city July 9, 1874, a son of John and Catherine (Breslin) Dore, who were natives of County Kerry, Ireland. The father came to Tiffin in 1852 and worked for a time as a day laborer. When he had accumulated a small capital he opened a store and eventually built up a prosperous business. His political support was given to the democratic party and at one time he served as councilman. He was a good citizen and his demise in 1885 was deeply regretted by all who knew him. The mother is living and is ninety-three years of age.

Frank T. Dore, who is one of ten children, attended the public schools of Tiffin, after which he read law in the office of his brother, William H., and in October, 1895, was admitted to the bar. He then formed a partnership with his brother and this association was continued until the latter's death, April 7, 1914. Since that date Mr. Dore has practiced alone and is now chief counsel in Ohio for the American Gas & Electric Company, operating in two hundred and forty-nine municipalities throughout the state. He is devoted to the interests of his clients and enjoys an enviable reputation as a corporation lawyer. He is also a director and vice president of the Gray & White Company.

Mr. Dore was married November 16, 1910, in Huntington, Indiana, to Miss Katherine Boos a graduate of St. Mary's College at South Bend, that state, and a daughter of Jacob and Caroline (Kindler) Boos. They now have two sons,

Frank T. Jr., and Richard M. The family are communicants of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church and Mr. Dore is identified with the Knights of Columbus, fourth degree, and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, of which he is a past exalted ruler. His name is likewise on the membership roll of the Mohawk Golf Club. He is also a member of the Seneca County, Ohio State and American Bar Associations. During the World war he was chairman of the coal administration board of Tiffin and is always ready to serve his community when needed. His talents, natural and acquired, have brought him to the front in his profession and his personal traits are such as inspire respect, confidence and friendship.

CHARLES HENRY SHIELDS

Among the pioneer business institutions of Toledo is that of The Blade Printing & Paper Company, with which Charles Henry Shields has been connected for forty-three years advancing from a clerkship to the vice presidency of the firm. He has wrought effectively for its success and has also figured prominently in civic, political and religious affairs.

Mr. Shields was born in Consett, Durham county, England, August 8, 1864, a son of Charles Henry and Annie (Coxon) Shields, natives of the same county. The father was born in Sunderland, January 20, 1835, and won success as a builder and contractor. The mother was born in Bolton, June 6, 1840, and was a daughter of Samuel Coxon, one of the best known men in the coal mining industry of the north of England. He was related to Sir George Elliott, member of parliament, with whom he was associated in the sinking and operation of coal mines.

Charles H. Shields, Jr., attended Bruce's Percy Street Academy at Newcastle-on-Tyne, one of the best known preparatory schools in the north of England, and studied four years for the Durham University extension. He remained in Newcastle-upon-Tyne until he attained the age of twenty-one and in 1885 sailed for America. He came to Toledo to join an aunt, Mrs. John Kellog, formerly Kate Milburn, a niece of George Milburn, who founded The Milburn Wagon

Works at Toledo. Mrs. Kellog's daughter, Jenny, became the wife of E. J. Scott, a son of William H. Scott and a member of one of the prominent families of Toledo. Mr. Shields worked for a year as bookkeeper for the Toledo Moulding Company and in October, 1886, entered the employ of the Blade Printing & Paper Company. Starting as entry clerk, he soon proved his worth to the firm and was advanced through the various departments. In 1912 he was elected vice president and general manager and has since occupied those offices. With a mind commercially comprehensive, quick to perceive and act, he has made his labors count as a vital force in making this one of the largest and best known printing and stationery houses in the middle west, and he is also interested financially in several local concerns.

On the 14th of October, 1891, Mr. Shields was married in Toledo to Miss Mary Cook, who was born in Vineland, New Jersey, October 29, 1867, and passed away January 18, 1896. She was the ninth in line of direct descent from Colonel Ward, who came from a well known family of Suffolk, England, and emigrated to America in 1630. He aided in founding the cities of Stamford and Wethersfield, Connecticut, was a member of the general council of New Haven in 1644 and 1646, and at the time of his death was deputy for Fairfield. Among his descendants were: General Andrew Ward, who was a brigadier general of the Continental army; Lieutenant Colonel Jasper Ward, who served in the War of 1812; Commodore Aaron Ward of the United States navy; Henry Ward Beecher, General Charles Whipple and Aaron Burr. Mrs. Shields filled high offices in the Daughters of the American Revolution, acting for five years as treasurer of Ursula Wolcott Chapter, of which she was president for one year. For some time she was one of the directors of the Ohio Society of the D. A. R. and at the time of her death was vice president elect of that organization. During the five years that she was president of the Toledo Young Women's Christian Association it was freed from all building debts. She was also an active member of the Toledo Woman's Club and other associations; was an earnest Christian worker and served as director of the supply department of the Women's Auxiliary of the Protestant Episcopal church in the diocese of Ohio.

Her life was fragrant with good deeds, and she was greatly beloved. Mrs. Shields was the mother of two daughters: Ruth, who became the wife of Gerald Swallow, of Norristown, Pennsylvania, now manager of the insulation department of The Diamond State Fiber Company of Bridgeport, that state, and has a family of four children, James Fremont, Mary Barbara, Ann Coxon and Frances Patricia Swallow; and Katherine, who resides with her father in the home at No. 2350 Glenwood avenue.

Since the death of his wife Mr. Shields has been a serviceable factor in church financial affairs through the operation of "silent campaigns" by methods that he has devised to wipe out burdensome building debts, place the church organization on a sounder financial basis and provide funds for new construction and development. Several churches of different denominations in Toledo and a number outside the city have used this plan successfully and have indorsed it as being fundamentally correct in its underlying principles of "faith, hope and love" manifested through strictly voluntary and sacrificial giving. Mr. Shields has been a zealous member of St. Mark's Episcopal church for thirty-six years. He was one of its vestrymen for thirty years, parish clerk for about twenty years, and was chairman of the building committee which had charge of the erection of the new church. He was also for many years a member of the board of trustees of The Old Adams Street City Mission, serving as vice president of that well known and highly regarded institution. He was prominent in the old Seventh Ward Republican Club and since receiving his right of franchise has never faltered in his allegiance to the party. Soon after its formation he became a prominent member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and for several years was vice president of the Citizens Industrial Association of Toledo, the forerunner of the Merchants & Manufacturers Association. He is a member of the Country Club of Toledo, the Toledo Club and the Au Sable Club of Michigan. He belongs to Toledo Lodge, No. 144, of the Masonic order and for many years was a member of the Masonic Club, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Inverness Club of Toledo. He is also a member of The Historical Society of Northwestern Ohio. There are few, if any,

active business men in Toledo whose personal acquaintance is as wide as that enjoyed by Mr. Shields and many of his best friends are those who have known him for more than a generation. Holding to high ideals, Mr. Shields has used practical methods in their attainment, and his activities have touched the general interests of society to their betterment. Mr. Shields' residence is at 2350 Glenwood avenue, which has been the family home for many years.

CHARLES J. MILLER

Charles J. Miller, who is the president and manager of the Fremont Foundry Company, one of Fremont's leading industrial concerns, was born in Buffalo, New York, in 1877 and received his education in the parochial schools of Cleveland, Ohio, in which city he also took a business course. He went to work for the National Malleable Castings Company, serving his apprenticeship in several foundries, and in 1906 went to Medina, Ohio, where he established a foundry of his own. This proved a successful venture and he carried the business on until 1920, when he sold out and came to Fremont, establishing the Fremont Foundry Company. He is engaged in making general grey iron and semi-steel castings, which he sells direct to manufacturers, chiefly to automobile and furnace makers, and in this line has built up a large business, giving employment to about two hundred people. He is president and manager of the business and is a sagacious and able man, well meriting the success which has come to him. This is now the largest foundry in Sandusky county and is numbered among Fremont's substantial enterprises. Mr. Miller is also a director of the Citizens Savings and Loan Company, of Fremont.

In 1901 Mr. Miller was united in marriage to Miss Josephine Effinger, of Independence, Ohio, and they are the parents of three children, namely: Myron J., who is now superintendent of his father's foundry; Marion, who is studying music; and Caroline, in high school. Mrs. Miller takes an active interest in church and social affairs. Mr. Miller is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the

Knights of Columbus, the Rotary Club, of which he is president, and the Chamber of Commerce, of which he is a director. He and his wife are members of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church, to which they give liberal support. Mr. Miller has shown a live and effective interest in local public affairs, lending his cooperation in all movements for the betterment of the community along material, civic or moral lines.

WILLIAM BRUCE JAMES

William Bruce James, who is rendering able and satisfactory service as prosecuting attorney of Wood county, has been engaged in the practice of law in Bowling Green for twenty-one years and has commanded a representative clientele, due to his integrity of character, his professional ability and his conscientious devotion to the interests of his clients. Mr. James was born at Bradner, Wood county, Ohio, on the 7th of March, 1883, and is a son of Rinaldo and Keturah (James) James, both of whom are living. His father and his grandfather, Eli James, came to Wood county in an early day from Morrow county, this state.

W. B. James received his early education in the public schools, after which he entered Tri-State College, at Angola, Indiana, and was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1904. He took special work at the University of Michigan and then entered the law school of that institution, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1908. Admitted to the Ohio bar, he entered upon the practice of his profession in Bowling Green in September, 1908. Success attended him from the start and during the subsequent years he has enjoyed well merited prominence among the leading attorneys of Wood county. He was associated in practice with J. E. Ladd from 1910 until 1927, at which time he assumed the duties of prosecuting attorney. Mr. James was elected city solicitor of Bowling Green in 1909 and served until January 1, 1927. In November, 1926, he was elected prosecuting attorney, to the work of which office he has since given close attention, having been reelected in November, 1928.

On June 8, 1911, Mr. James was united in marriage to Miss Bess Yeager, who died November 5, 1927. To them were born three children: Robert M., Norman W. and Helen E.

Mr. James has always been a stanch supporter of the republican party and has been actively interested in public affairs. During the World war he rendered splendid service as chairman of the Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives. He belongs to the Bowling Green Golf Club; to Wood County Lodge, F. & A. M.; to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Pythias. Along strictly professional lines he has membership in the Wood County and Ohio State Bar Associations. In his practice he has specialized in municipal work, in which he is regarded as an authority, and he commands the uniform confidence and esteem of all who know him.

LOUIS H. PAINE

Louis H. Paine was born October 1, 1875, at Limaville, Stark county, Ohio. He comes of New England colonial stock, Stephen Paine, founder of the American branch, having migrated from England to Rhode Island in 1638. He is a son of the Rev. Louis Paine and Mary (Lind) Paine. Louis Paine occupied a position of prominence in the Methodist Episcopal church, serving pastorates in Warren, Cleveland, Canton and other cities in northeastern Ohio. Louis Paine died in 1900 and Mary (Lind) Paine in 1917.

Louis H. Paine attended Albion College and Boston University, graduating from the latter institution in 1898 with the degrees of A. B. and LL. B. He was admitted to the practice of law in 1898 and entered the general practice at Toledo, Ohio.

He was married April 5, 1899, to Helen A. Davis of Lansing, Michigan, daughter of Albert E. Davis and Jennie (Cox) Davis. They are the parents of a son and two daughters, as given below. Louis Davis, born February 18, 1900, who attended Cornell University and was graduated from the University of Michigan with the degree of A. B. in 1922, married Dorothy Campbell and resides in Toledo. Janet Elizabeth,

born July 20, 1901, who is a graduate of the Harcum School of Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, married Robert H. Winters, Jr., and resides in Toledo. Mary Margaret, born January 10, 1907, is a graduate of the Baldwin School of Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania, married Edward S. Graham, Jr., and resides in Pasadena, California.

Louis H. Paine was a member of the seventy-sixth and seventy-seventh general assembly of Ohio, serving as chairman of the committee on municipal affairs during both sessions. His most important legislative contribution was the passage of the law establishing civil service for municipal employes, and the federal plan of organization for all Ohio cities. He served as a member of the board of education of Toledo for six years and later as president of the board of education of Ottawa Hills for four years.

Having specialized in insurance law, in 1918 he retired from the general practice of law and became manager of the Toledo branch office of the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company. His residence is at 2104 Orchard road, Ottawa Hills, Toledo.

JOHN JACOB URSCHEL

The principles of honor, quality, strength and service ever lead the world of business forward to greater efficiency and sounder development, and these principles have constituted the basis of the success and prestige enjoyed by the Woodville Lime Products Company, of which John Jacob Urschel, a prominent Toledoan, is the founder and president. He was born in Monclova, Lucas county, Ohio, June 20, 1873, a son of John J. and Mary (Schenkel) Urschel. The family was founded in America by Daniel Urschel, who came to this country from Germany, settling in Stark county, Ohio, in 1834, where he followed agricultural pursuits. He was married in the fatherland to Barbara Zintsmaster, and they had ten children, three of whom were born in Germany. Mrs. Barbara Urschel died in 1885, and Daniel Urschel passed away two years later. Their son, John J. Urschel, was born near Navarre, Stark county, Ohio, and became a tanner, fol-

lowing the trade for a number of years at Monclova. Afterward he engaged in farming in Stark county and was connected with the Woodville Lime Products Company during the latter part of his life. He was a member of the Reformed church and gave his political support to the democratic party. He reached the seventy-sixth milestone on life's journey, passing away in Toledo in 1914. His wife, who was born in Huntington, Indiana, was also of German descent and attained the age of sixty-six years, also passing away in Toledo in 1914. Mr. and Mrs. Urschel were the parents of three sons, of whom William L. is deceased and is mentioned elsewhere in this publication; and the others are John Jacob and Daniel F. The last named, who was born September 30, 1871, is an extensive ranch owner and resides in Florence, Kansas. He married Alice Pounds, by whom he has a son, Lester.

John J. Urschel was a pupil in the public schools of Stark county and attended Wooster University of Ohio for two years. He was reared on his father's farm and remained at home until he reached the age of twenty-five. At that time he became a salesman for his uncle, who operated a lump lime plant at Sugar Ridge, Ohio, and in calling on the trade he soon found that the product of a competitor, H. Rancamp of Woodville, was the best on the market. He also discovered that the superiority of the Rancamp lime was due to the quality of stone from which it was burned. Realizing that he could not meet this competition, he laid plans to acquire the Rancamp property, which he purchased in 1901, and this was the inception of the Woodville Lime Products Company. Starting with two kilns, Mr. Urschel has developed a plant of fifty-three kilns, and his faith in quality has been fully justified. The general offices are maintained in Toledo, and the plant and quarries are situated at Woodville.

The perpendicular walls surrounding the quarry present a face of pure, clean solid rock. Every foot of it is limestone of incomparable quality. The hydrated lime produced from this limestone is the more remarkable in view of the fact that deposits elsewhere show the same chemical analysis, the same content of magnesium carbonate and calcium carbonate, and the same purity; yet there is something in the rock when

burned into lime that has induced all the world to come to this district for the best white finishing and building hydrated lime. It exceeds in plasticity and strength every product of a similar nature on the market and has all the elements of an ideal lime. This rock, which is of uniform grade, has been excavated to a depth of sixty feet and forms a large pit which encloses a busy scene. Each day three massive shovels and a dozen tiny engines puff and chug, loading strings of dump cars and hauling them to a crusher where large, solid stones are dumped into great crunching jaws of steel. The crushed rock is then conveyed to graduated screens which grade out rocks of equal size for the kilns. This makes even burning possible, which is an important step in insuring uniformity of the lime. After the burned lime is drawn from the kiln it is carefully inspected, cored and thoroughly mixed as it is dumped into the grinding mills, where it is ground for the hydrators. Six large, specially designed Clyde batch hydrators are required to handle the output. Complete and uniform hydration is assured by the careful blending of lime and water, which are thoroughly mixed by dozens of rotating blades. The hydrated lime is then ground and bolted through wire cloth of very close mesh. The result is a fine, apparently bone-dry powder of exceptional purity, quality and snowy whiteness. The lime is now ready to be sacked. The contents of the hydrators are emptied and conveyed to large steel bins which lead into hoppers over the bagging machines. Nine units, comprising thirty-six tubes, automatically sack and weigh the output in strong blue paper valve bags of fifty pounds capacity. These bagging machines are located parallel and adjacent to the firm's railroad sidings and an average of thirty cars are loaded with hydrated lime and shipped daily.

The company maintains a modern laboratory, conducted by a skilled chemist and assistants who are constantly checking the chemical and physical qualities of the lime, and research is another function of this department. Better ways and means are constantly being worked out and tested for the improvement of the product and the extension of its uses. By means of this careful and painstaking system the firm has succeeded in creating the whitest, most plastic, strongest and

highest grade of hydrated lime that it is possible to procure. The Woodville Lime Products Company was among the first to place hydrated lime on the market, and the convenience of this product quickly became apparent to builders. This initiative spirit was again manifested when the valve bag was first introduced. In 1903 its inventor, A. M. Bates, sought in vain for financial assistance in promoting his proposition until he approached J. J. Urschel, who immediately recognized the merits of the device, and in a short time the Urschel-Bates Valve Bag Company was formed. The quick success of the bag is known to all connected with the building industry and stands as another example of the pioneering achievements of Mr. Urschel. In addition to the white enamel, gold medal and white lily brands of building and finishing hydrated lime, the Woodville Lime Products Company manufacturers klover-krop lime for agricultural purposes; superfine hydrated lime, made especially for chemical and other industrial uses; and ten-line, especially prepared for household purposes. Among the notable structures which bear monumental evidence of the splendid results obtained from the finishing hydrated lime of the company are the United States post office at Washington, D. C.; the home of the Curtis Publishing Company in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Eastman Theater at Rochester, New York; the Uptown Theater of Chicago, and the Commodore Perry Hotel of Toledo. The associates of J. J. Urschel in the conduct of the business of the Woodville Lime Products Company are: George C. Urschel, vice president and treasurer; G. H. Faist, secretary and sales manager; John L. Faist, general superintendent; F. J. Larkin, traffic manager; and E. B. Irwin, auditor. That Mr. Urschel is an executive of exceptional capacity and power is indicated by the highly efficient organization which he has created. He is also president of the Automat Molding & Folding Company, manufacturers of automatic wrapping and cartoning appliances and butter printing equipment. This firm maintains its general offices and factory at Nos. 16-20 Broadway, Toledo, and has likewise profited by Mr. Urschel's broad vision and his business experience and acumen.

In June, 1893, Mr. Urschel was married in Canton, Ohio,

to Miss Margaret Brothers, and they became the parents of three children: George Curtis; Mary, who is the wife of Dr. Edward Porter Gillette, a prominent physician of Toledo, and has three children, Edward Porter, Jr., Nancy Jane and Hallie; and Katherine, who is Mrs. Howard T. Rex and has become the mother of two children, Howard Thomas, Jr., and Katharine. George C. Urschel was born in Bowling Green, Ohio, July 15, 1900, and attended the public schools of Toledo. He was a student at the University of Michigan and also at Syracuse University of New York. Afterward he joined his father in the lime industry and was thus engaged until 1917, when he entered the service of his country. He was sent to a training camp for field artillery officers and was commissioned a second lieutenant. On receiving his honorable discharge he returned to Toledo and resumed his business activities. In 1918 he was elected vice president of the Woodville Lime Products Company and has since filled that office, while he is also successfully managing the financial end of the business. He is affiliated with St. Mark's Episcopal church and belongs to the Sylvania Golf Club, the Carranor Hunt and Polo Club and the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. On the 19th of October, 1918, George C. Urschel was married in Detroit, Michigan, to Miss Elizabeth S. Schenck, whose father, Lieutenant William Schenck, was killed in action while leading his company in the campaign against Aguinaldo in the Philippine islands. Mr. and Mrs. Urschel reside at 1312 Thatcher drive and have two sons, George Curtis, Jr., who was born September 23, 1920, and John J. III, born September 6, 1929.

The residence of John J. Urschel is at 2140 Parkside boulevard, and his office is located at 2140 Jefferson avenue. He gives his political allegiance to the republican party and is a member of the First Presbyterian church, with which Mrs. Urschel is also affiliated. She devotes much time to religious activities and is also connected with the Woman's Club and other social organizations. Mr. Urschel is identified with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Club, the Heather Downs Club, the Sylvania Golf Club and the Aviation Country Club of Detroit. He is the president of the Lakelands Golf and

Country Club at Winans Lake, Michigan, and there he spends much of the summer season. He is a progressive, public-spirited business man of high standing.

HAMILTON A. LAVEY

Toledo owes its commercial development to the united efforts of many enterprising business men of the type of Hamilton A. Lavey, who has been a dealer in cigars for many years, establishing a large trade in that connection, while he has also prospered in other ventures and in addition has found time to further many projects for civic advancement and betterment.

Mr. Lavey was born in Plymouth, Indiana, April 8, 1868, a son of Samuel and Margaret (Tuttle) Lavey. His father, who was born in Tippecanoe, Ohio, in 1844, learned the trade of a watchmaker and was engaged in the jewelry business for several years. The latter part of his life was spent in retirement in Toledo, where his demise occurred on the 19th of December, 1910. As a young man he developed a talent for music and during the Civil war was leader of the band of the Fifty-first Regiment of Indiana Volunteer Infantry. He was a consistent member of the Church of Christ, while his political support was given to the republican party. His wife was born in Columbia City, Indiana, in 1850 and passed away at Lima, Ohio, in 1887. Her father, Horace Tuttle, and his two brothers, Ransom and Brad Tuttle, cast in their lot with the early settlers of Columbia City, opening a tavern on the trail leading from Fort Wayne, Indiana, to Chicago, Illinois, and were also the proprietors of a general store.

Reared in the Hoosier state, Hamilton A. Lavey attended a grammar school at Huntington, Indiana, but obtained his high school training in Lima, Ohio, and later was a student at the Chicago Ophthalmic College, graduating with the class of 1892. For a year thereafter he was engaged in that line of work in Toledo and then became a cigar salesman for Henry Deisel, a well known Lima manufacturer, with whom he spent three years. Afterward he was a traveling representative of the Banner Cigar Company of Detroit, Michi-

gan, for two years, returning at the end of that time to Toledo, where he joined his brother, Carl E., in forming the firm of Lavey Brothers, wholesale dealers in cigars. Later they incorporated the business and in 1900 became the factory representatives of the I. Lewis Cigar Manufacturing Company of Newark, New Jersey, for the states of Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, thus continuing to the present time, a period of nearly thirty years. They sell the John Ruskin cigar, for which there is a wide demand because of its high quality and moderate price. In 1904 they entered into an agreement with Tiedtke Brothers of Toledo, taking over their retail cigar business, which they still conduct, and have long been rated among the largest dealers in this line in the city. Lavey Brothers are expert judges of tobacco, thoroughly informed on all matters pertaining to the cigar trade. and have fostered the growth of their business by close attention to detail, judicious management and strict adherence to a high standard of commercial ethics. In 1918, in association with Ernest Tiedtke, they expanded the scope of their activities, opening in Toledo a number of establishments called Thrift Stores, which at once found favor with the public owing to the high grade of the goods carried and the exceptionally low prices quoted by the firm. In order to meet the demands of the trade they established these stores throughout the city, eventually operating a chain of fifty-six groceries and thirty meat markets, and successfully conducted the business until January, 1925, when it was sold to the Kroger Grocery & Baking Company. In addition to his activities as a wholesale and retail dealer in cigars, Hamilton A. Lavey is vice president of The Faunce & Faunce Company and has also contributed toward the success and prestige of this well known Toledo firm.

In May, 1903, Mr. Lavey married Miss Leah O. King, a daughter of George and Katherine (Armstrong) King and a member of one of the old and prominent families of Toledo. The mother is deceased, but Mr. King is still a resident of this city.

Mr. Lavey casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party and was township treasurer for two years. During the World war he acted as chairman of the committee

in charge of the various Liberty Loan drives in the Point Place district, which made a fine record, raising its quota within ten hours in every campaign. A zealous member of the Norwood Avenue Church of Christ, he has filled the offices of deacon and chairman of the board of trustees and contributed largely toward its building fund. He supervised the work of erecting the new house of worship and donated to the Point Place Union church a fine pipe organ. Mr. Lavey, being a stanch believer in the unity of Christian forces, regardless of the denominational name worn, conceived the idea of publishing a paper in Toledo, to which all churches could subscribe and contribute. With this in mind he went to the Federation of Churches with the proposal to publish such a periodical, to defray all expenses of same and to give all moneys from subscriptions to the federation, which would enable them to engage a paid secretary to carry on their work. The proposal was accepted and the Rev. J. Y. Montague was made the first paid secretary. The periodical was in the form of a newspaper of eight pages of seven columns each and was called The Christian Commonwealth, having a paid circulation of over five thousand. The publication of the paper continued for several years, until such time as the federation was able to finance itself otherwise. The office of the federation was moved to the location of the paper. With the daily association of Mr. Lavey with the Rev. J. Y. Montague many activities of the federation originated. One of the most important in which Mr. Lavey was interested was the establishment of week day religious education for public school children. The plan worked out in this office received the indorsement of the Church Federation and also the public school board and has grown to be one of the greatest activities of the Federation of Churches.

Mr. Lavey is one of the promoters of a superhighway circling the lake from Detroit to Cleveland and a member of the original committee of seven men who conceived the idea of establishing this scenic route of two hundred and fifty miles. He has been active in the building of communities outside of Toledo and is always found in the van of movements looking toward the accomplishment of real and practical good. He was one of the organizers and the first presi-

dent of the Point Place Commerce Club, which now has more than five hundred members. He also aided in forming the Ottawa River Yacht Club, with which he is still connected, and his name likewise appears on the membership list of the Exchange Club, the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Sons of Veterans, the Knights of Pythias and the Masonic fraternity. In the last named order he has filled high offices, being a past master of Rubicon Lodge, F. & A. M.; a past high priest of Fort Meigs Chapter, R. A. M.; and a past illustrious master of Toledo Council, R. & S. M. He is also a Shriner and served on the committee in charge of the building of the Masonic Temple in Toledo. An enthusiastic fisherman, he has become a member of the Izaak Walton League and also enjoys traveling and mountain climbing. His has been a symmetrical, well ordered life, crowned with success and fraught with the accomplishment of much good. Mrs. Lavey belongs to the Oriental Shrine, the Eastern Star, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the Toledo Woman's Club, the Woman's Republican Club of Toledo & Lucas County, and is an earnest, helpful member of the Norwood Avenue Church of Christ.

REV. HILARY ROBERT WEGER, S. T. B.

St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church at Fremont is being served in a very able and efficient manner by the Rev. Hilary R. Weger, who has ministered to this congregation as assistant pastor since August, 1926. His services have been notably successful in every respect and he is regarded as one of the leading religious workers of Sandusky county. Father Weger was born at Delphos, Allen county, Ohio, on the 6th of January, 1897, and is a son of Frank Aloysius and Elizabeth (Dietzel) Weger, the former born in 1846, at Biederbach, Bavaria, and the latter in 1848, in Baltimore, Maryland, both being descended from the peasant class in Germany and both now deceased.

Father Weger attended the grade and high schools of St. John's parish at Delphos, from 1902 to 1913, after which he spent four years in St. Joseph's College, at Rensselaer, In-

diana. In 1917 he entered St. Mary's Seminary, at Baltimore, Maryland, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in June, 1919, receiving his Master's degree from that institution in June of the following year. He completed his philosophical and theological studies in the Sulpician Seminary, at Washington, D. C., and in September, 1922, he received from the Catholic University, in that city, the degree of Bachelor of Sacred Theology. He completed his studies in the spring of 1923 and on May 26th of that year, in St. Francis De Sales cathedral, Toledo, Ohio, he was ordained to the priesthood by the Rt. Rev. Samuel A. Stritch, D. D., bishop of Toledo. His first appointment was as assistant pastor of Sacred Heart church in Toledo, where he served until August, 1926, when he was appointed assistant pastor of St. Joseph's church in Fremont. He assists in the general work of the parish, but his special field of labor is as principal of St. Joseph's high school, in which capacity he has proven a competent, devoted and efficient executive and educator. Kindly and gracious in manner, with a deep sympathy with the problems of the young people in his care, he has discharged his duties in a manner that has won for him the genuine respect and appreciation of the people of the parish, while throughout the community he commands uniform regard for his sterling personal qualities and his tireless efforts in the cause which he represents.

HUGH JAMES BARTLEY

Decisiveness, mental alertness and unfailing energy are among the chief requirements of an executive, and liberally endowed with these attributes Hugh J. Bartley is forging rapidly to the front in real estate circles of Toledo. He was born in Montpelier, Ohio, February 8, 1895, and is a son of Frank and Eleanor (McManus) Bartley. The father is a prosperous business man and president of the Bartley Saw Company.

Hugh J. Bartley was a pupil in the Waite high school of Toledo and after his education was completed became an employe of the Rathbun Jones Engineering Company, re-

maining with the firm for two years. For two years he was a lieutenant in the United States navy and during the World war was in the overseas transport service. After receiving his honorable discharge he returned to Toledo and in October, 1919, entered the real estate office of the T. I. Wilson Company, with which he spent a year. For a similar period he was associated with the Thomas Davis Company and in 1921 entered the field independently as president of the Hugh J. Bartley Real Estate Company. He has studied the business from the standpoint of the purchaser as well as that of the man who handles property, and his judgment in regard to real estate investments is sound and reliable. His operations are conducted on an honorable, straightforward basis, which has inspired public trust and confidence, and under his able management the business has enjoyed a steady growth.

On February 23, 1924, Mr. Bartley married Miss Gladys Brown, a daughter of John Brown, of Toledo, and they have become the parents of two children, Hugh James, Jr., born January 30, 1925; and Diana. Mr. Bartley adheres to the Roman Catholic faith and is a member of the American Legion and the United States Naval Reserve. He is a trustee of the Toledo Real Estate Board and a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He is a tireless worker, a shrewd, farsighted young business man and a citizen of worth. His residence is at No. 2938 Jermain drive.

DAVID JAMES ROBISON

David James Robison, head and founder of David Robison & Company, Inc., one of Toledo's well known investment security houses, is a representative of the third generation of a family that has been prominently identified with the city's financial and industrial development. David Robison, Jr., the grandfather, was born January 22, 1830, in Wooster, Ohio, and in 1876 became a resident of Toledo, where his death occurred April 15, 1914. He married in Wooster, Ohio, Miss Ann Elizabeth Jacobs, of that city, and they were the parents of two sons, James J. and Willard F. Whether considered from his business achievements or his

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individual influence as a citizen, David Robison, Jr., was undoubtedly one of Toledo's foremost men of energy, leadership and ability. He and his two sons were the principal founders of the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company, and he became its first president, serving until 1905. His interests were varied and extensive and his activities represented a most substantial contribution to Toledo's growth and upbuilding.

James J. Robison, the father of David J. Robison, was born in Wooster, Ohio, March 7, 1855, and was a young man of twenty-one when his parents removed to Toledo, where practically his entire subsequent life was spent, his death occurring June 11, 1914. He married in Toledo, Miss Virginia Smith, who was born in this city, February 22, 1855. They were the parents of two sons and a daughter: Willard D., who is president of the Toledo Wire & Iron Company; David James, of this review; and Ann J. James J. Robison was associated with his father and others in the building of Toledo's first electric line, the so called Robison Line, and he had the distinction of personally running the first Robison electric car on Summit street in 1892. He was an official in the company that built the Terminal Belt Railway, the Ohio building, the Toledo, Angola & Western Railway and the Toledo Stone & Glass Sand Company at Silica. He was one of the organizers of the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company, and served as one of the first cashiers, while later he succeeded his father as president of that institution and remained its executive head until his death. He was a member of Anthony Wayne Chapter, Ohio Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, a member of Sanford Collins Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Meigs Chapter, R. A. M.; St. Omer Commandery, K. T.; and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.

David J. Robison was born September 11, 1891, in Toledo, and received his early education in the schools of this city, afterward spending three years in a preparatory school at Asheville, North Carolina. He matriculated in Williams College at Williamstown, Massachusetts, and following his graduation entered on his business career in Toledo as a member of the firm of David Robison, Jr., & Sons Company in the real estate and insurance business. He was thus

active from 1914 until 1918, when he established David Robison & Company, Inc., of which he has since been the executive head. This corporation has attained a position of prominence in financial and investment security circles and ranks with strong and reliable houses of Toledo in its line. This firm has membership in the Investment Bankers Association of America and in the Ohio Bankers Association. A recognition of his business ability has caused Mr. Robison's cooperation to be sought in various fields and among his other interests he is a director of the Robison Realty Company, of the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company, the Pantheon Theatre Company and a director and treasurer of the Ontario-Monroe Building Company and a director of the Ashland-Prescott Building Company. His recognition of business opportunities and his sound judgment of financial affairs has made his cooperation a valuable element in business management.

Mr. Robison has one daughter, Kathryn V., who was born in Toledo, March 12, 1916. Fraternally he is connected with Sanford Collins Lodge, No. 396, F. & A. M., and he has membership in the Presbyterian church. He also belongs to the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, the University Club and the Kiwanis Club, of which he is a past president. He enjoys all manly outdoor sports but never allows recreational interests to interfere with the faithful performance of his duties in relation to business affairs. He is an excellent example of the type of business man developed in the present age, quick to perceive an emergency and keenly alive to the possibilities of a business proposition.

JOHN A. FORSHEY

Early in life John A. Forshey realized the importance of hard work and perseverance as factors in the attainment of prosperity and along those lines he has labored for advancement. His education was self-acquired, and his ability and even-paced energy have carried him to the fore in legal circles of Toledo. He was born in Fostoria, Ohio, October 6, 1892, and is a son of Louis D. and Anna Theresa (Burke) Forshey,

the former of French ancestry. The family was founded in this country by two brothers who came to America with General Lafayette and served as lieutenants in the Continental army. Frederick William Forshey, the grandfather of John A. Forshey, was a native of Pennsylvania and enlisted in the Union army. He was with General Sherman during the memorable march to the sea and served from the beginning until the end of the Civil war.

Louis D. Forshey was born in Kendallville, Indiana, December 24, 1856, and received his education in the public schools of that state. At an early age he became an Indian fighter and served under General Reno in the expedition against the Sioux tribe in 1876. Discovering a large Indian encampment on the Little Big Horn river in Montana, General Custer divided his regiment into several detachments, one of which, under General Reno, was ordered to attack the enemy in the rear, while he himself advanced with five companies in front. General Reno was driven back and the Indians concentrated upon General Custer, who was killed together with his whole force. Mr. Forshey was engaged in Indian warfare for ten years, never faltering in the face of danger and receiving a gold medal from the government in recognition of his gallant and meritorius service. In 1892 he settled in Fostoria, Ohio, securing a position with the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, and four years later he located in Deshler, Henry county, that state. There he remained for fourteen years, continuing as a railroad employe, and then returned to Fostoria, where he engaged in the same line of work for twelve years. On the expiration of that period he retired and has since resided in Kendallville, enjoying the fruits of a well spent life. He is allied with the republican party and adheres to the Presbyterian faith. Patrick Burke, the father of Mrs. Louis D. Forshey, emigrated from Ireland to the United States and settled in Brooklyn, New York. He enlisted in the Union army and served throughout the Civil war. Anna Burke was born September 24, 1861, in Brooklyn and was reared, educated and married in that city. Mr. and Mrs. Forshey had a family of nine children, of whom seven survive, five sons and two daughters.

John A. Forshey, the fourth in order of birth, attended the public schools of Deshler and subsequently matriculated in St. John's University at Toledo, from which he was graduated in June, 1923, with the degree of LL. B. For three years he attended night classes, as he was employed during the day, and thus paid for his legal education. At the age of seventeen he entered the service of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad and later the Toledo, St. Louis and Western Railroad Company (Clover Leaf), with which he remained for eight years, and was next connected with the New York Central Railroad Company. He was made chief clerk of the traffic department and spent nine years with the company. During two years of that period he was engaged in legal work and began his career as a practitioner in Toledo on the 1st of September, 1926. He specializes in state and interstate commerce law, involving freight rates and classification, of which he has a detailed knowledge, and is a strong and able attorney, clear and concise in his presentation of a case. He is counsel for a number of corporations, and his clientele is steadily increasing in volume and importance.

On the 26th of November, 1913, Mr. Forshey was married in Toledo to Miss Ruth Casey, a native of the city and a daughter of Arthur and Elizabeth (Hobe) Casey representatives of pioneer families of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Forshey reside at No. 3310 River road, and his law office is located on the eleventh floor of the Nicholas building.

During the World war Mr. Forshey responded to the call of his country and served under the federal railroad administration. A stanch republican, he is active in local, state and national politics and adheres to the Roman Catholic faith, being affiliated with the church of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. He is president of the South Side Chamber of Commerce and has demonstrated his loyalty to Toledo by effective efforts in its behalf. On the 6th of July, 1929, he presided as chairman at the ceremony which marked the official closing of the Miami and Erie canal at Providence Locks, Grand Rapids, Ohio, by the draining of the water from the canal between Grand Rapids and Toledo. Mr. Forshey is a member of the Toledo and Ohio Bar Associations, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo Transportation Club, the

Heather Downs Country Club and the Maumee River Yacht Club. He is a director of the last named and enjoys golf, fishing and water sports. He is thoroughly cognizant of the importance and responsibility of his profession, and his fellow practitioners unite in bearing testimony as to his pronounced ability and high character.

RAYMOND F. WITTE

The office of sheriff of Wood county is being filled in a very efficient manner by Raymond F. Witte, who is a native son of this county and whose record has gained for him a high place in public esteem. Mr. Witte was born at Pemberville on the 10th of December, 1889, and is a son of Henry and Sybila N. (Balmer) Witte. His grandfather, Frederick Witte, was a native of Germany.

Raymond F. Witte received his education in the public and high schools, and in 1908, when nineteen years of age, enlisted in the United States Navy, in which he served four years, returning to Wood county in 1912. He then took a position as a mail carrier in Bowling Green, serving as such until 1917, when he was appointed deputy sheriff of Wood county and filled that office for three years. On retiring from that position he entered the employ of the Edward Ford Plate Glass Company, at Rossford, Ohio, and in 1927 he assumed the office of sheriff, to which he had been elected on the republican ticket in the fall of the preceding year. He has devoted his attention closely to the performance of his official duties, and his conduct of the office has reflected very creditably on his ability and faithfulness.

On June 26, 1916, Mr. Witte was united in marriage to Miss Frances M. Jeffery, daughter of Wesley and Anna (Cole) Jeffery, of Moline, Ohio. Her paternal grandfather emigrated to America from Lands End, England, and took up his abode among the pioneer settlers of Lake township, Wood county, this state. Mr. and Mrs. Witte are the parents of a son, Raymond Kermit.

Fraternally Mr. Witte is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias and with the Masonic order, belonging to Phoenix

Lodge, No. 123, F. & A. M.; Crystal Chapter, No. 157, R. A. M., of Bowling Green; Bowling Green Council, No. 124, R. & S. M.; Eutah Commandery, No. 66, K. T., of Toledo; and the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite in the Valley of Toledo. Both he and his wife are members of the Eastern Star and of the National Grange. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the First Presbyterian church, to which his wife also belongs and in which he is a choir singer. His name is likewise on the membership rolls of the County Automobile Club and the Sheriffs & Police Officers Association. His favorite forms of recreation are hunting and fishing and he is a member of the Izaak Walton League of America. His life has been characterized by close adherence to the highest ideals of American citizenship and true manhood, so that he has well earned the respect which is accorded him by his fellowmen throughout the county in which he lives.

EMMONS D. HARKNESS

On the list of those citizens of Clyde who have contributed to the material prosperity of the community and who have by personal effort and influence promoted the civic welfare of the locality was numbered the late Emmons D. Harkness, whose death on June 6, 1925, was regarded as a distinct loss to the city and county in which he had resided. He represented a family long and honorably associated with the history of this section of the state and his own career reflected credit upon an untarnished family name. As early as 1836 three brothers—William, Stephen and D. M. Harkness—came from New York, where the family had long been established, to Ohio, and thus through three successive generations representatives of the name have borne active part in furthering the development and progress of Sandusky county. The three brothers were among the founders of the Standard Oil Company in connection with John D. Rockefeller and H. M. Flagler. D. M. Harkness, a man of marked business sagacity, initiative and ability, was the father of Darwin E. Harkness, who wedded Mary DeZang and became the father of Emmons D. Harkness.

In Clyde, where he spent his entire life, Emmons D. Harkness was born on the 6th of April, 1845, and there he acquired his education, attending the public schools until 1861, when at the age of sixteen years he enlisted in defense of the Union as a member of Company A, Seventy-second Ohio Volunteer Infantry, with which he served for three years, being honorably discharged October 10, 1864. Following his return to Clyde he became associated with his father, who was then engaged in the dry goods business, but shortly afterward he established a similar enterprise of his own which proved to be a profitable venture. He conducted his dry goods business continuously until 1885, when, having acquired a substantial competence, he retired and thereafter gave his attention to the management of oil interests until his death.

On the 26th of February, 1873, Mr. Harkness was married to Miss Olivia Mackey, who passed away October 31, 1895. On May 18, 1897, he married Miss Edith Vashti Hall, whose death occurred November 7, 1901. Mr. Harkness had no children of his own but is survived by three nieces and a nephew, who saw to it that he had every care during his declining years. His niece, Irene E. Davenport, a native of Clyde, is a daughter of Barton and Nettie (Harkness) Davenport, the former born in Elmira, New York, and the latter in Clyde, Ohio. Mr. Davenport engaged in the hotel business in Clyde throughout the greater part of his active business life and was highly regarded throughout the community. To him and his wife were born four children: Mrs. Fred Dawley, Mrs. E. A. Meeker and Irene E., all of Clyde; and William H., of Toledo. The only survivor of the family name is Ned Harkness of New York city.

Emmons D. Harkness will be remembered throughout this section of Ohio for many years to come. He was a man of keen business instincts, governed by high principles, and to a marked degree commanded the respect and confidence of those with whom he had business relations. He gave generously in support of all benevolent and charitable causes and was a consistent supporter of those projects which are calculated to promote the best interests of the community. In manner he was courteous and friendly and in him were embodied those personal qualities which commend the indi-

vidual to the favorable opinion of his associates. He enjoyed the kindly regard of all who knew him and he made the name of Harkness an honored one throughout this section, where the family has been represented for almost a century. Only a few days before his demise he attended the annual reunion of his old military company, enjoying to the fullest extent the companionship of his former army comrades and proudly wearing the little bronze button which he had ever honored by his citizenship in times of peace as well as in the days of war.

HARRY W. FRICK

Harry W. Frick, who is one of the younger members of the Tiffin bar and possesses the qualities essential to success in the profession, was born in this city, July 15, 1901, and is a son of Fred M. and Laura B. (Repp) Frick. After the completion of his high school course he attended Heidelberg College and was next a student in the Ohio Northern University, from which he was graduated in 1924 with the degree of LL. B. Returning to Tiffin, he began his professional career with Judge George M. Hoke and later formed a partnership with William Emmert. Mr. Frick has practiced alone since March, 1927, maintaining an office at No. 100½ East Market street, and is accorded a liberal clientele. He devotes much time and thought to the preparation of his cases and in their presentation is forceful, logical and convincing.

On the 4th of September, 1926, Mr. Frick was united in marriage to Miss Dorothy L. Kleinfelter, of Tiffin, daughter of N. G. and Ida M. (Shelt) Kleinfelter, and both are prominent in the social life of the city. Mr. Frick is affiliated with the Methodist Protestant church, and is a member and president of the Lions Club, and gives his political support to the democratic party. He is a member of the Seneca County Bar Association, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. Studious by nature, Mr. Frick is constantly adding to his store of legal knowledge and conforms his practice to the

highest ethical standards of the profession. He is a young man of serious purpose and substantial worth and has a wide circle of loyal friends in the city in which his life has been spent.

ROBERT J. GABEL

One of the most promising of the younger members of the bar of Sandusky county is Robert J. Gabel, of Fremont, whose professional record thus far has been characterized by zeal, ability and a success which augurs well for his future career. Born in Fremont in 1898, he is a son of John and Rose (Weibel) Gabel. His family has long been established in this county, his great-grandfather, Jacob Gabel, having been a pioneer settler of Jackson township, where he engaged in farming, which occupation was also followed by his son, Jacob, and the latter's son John, father of Robert J., the latter being the only professional man in the family. His maternal grandfather, George Weibel, was one of the historic "49rs." To John and Rose Gabel were born four sons, Bernard, Robert J., Arthur and Eugene.

Robert J. Gabel attended the parochial school at Fremont and a private school at Campion, Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. Having determined to devote his life to the legal profession, he entered the law department of St. Xavier College, in Cincinnati, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1926. He was admitted to the bar and entered upon the practice of his profession in Cincinnati, where he remained until January, 1927, when he returned to Fremont, where he has since conducted a general practice and has gained a large clientele. He is this year a candidate for election to the office of prosecuting attorney and he is a member of the Sandusky County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association. During 1927 Mr. Gabel also taught history and civics in St. Joseph's high school.

On November 25, 1926, Mr. Gabel was united in marriage to Miss Eleanor Glenn, of Covington, Kentucky, and they are the parents of a son, Glenn Robert, born October 8, 1927. During the World war Mr. Gabel enlisted in his country's

service and was assigned to the depot brigade at Camp Meade, Maryland. Four months later he was discharged in order to enter the officers' training camp, where he remained from September to December, 1918, when, the war having closed, he was honorably discharged. He is now a member of Edgar Thurston Post, of the American Legion, the Knights of Columbus, the Chamber of Commerce and the Lions Club, of which he is vice president. He is a stanch democrat in his poltical affiliation and his religious connection is with St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church. Candid and straightforward in manner, loyal and constant in his friendships and true to the highest demands of citizenship, he is held in high regard wherever known.

GEORGE C. MORRISON

George C. Morrison is nationally known owing to his achievements as manager of The Merchants Credit & Adjustment Company of Toledo. A native of Canada, he was born in Hamilton, in the province of Ontario, on the 17th of January, 1876, a son of George C. and Janet (Murray) Morrison, and is of Scotch lineage. The father was born in the city of Glasgow, where he received his education, and when a young man emigrated to Canada, settling in the Dominion before the outbreak of the Civil war. He was a manufacturer of engines and boilers and established a large business in Hamilton, where he spent the remainder of his life, passing away at the age of sixty-five years. His wife was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, and prior to 1861 went to Hamilton, Ontario, where their marriage occurred. In their family were eight children, seven daughters and one son.

George C. Morrison, the youngest child, was educated in his native city, graduating from high school at the age of seventeen. On the 15th of June, 1893, he arrived in Toledo, being virtually an entire stranger here, and he secured a position as clerk in the freight office of the Toledo & Ann Arbor Railroad Company, with which he spent six years. On the expiration of that period he became an employe of the Woolson Spice Company of Toledo, starting in a minor capac-

ity, but he soon afterward was placed in charge of the jobbing coffee sales. For three years he successfully managed that department and continued with the house for seventeen years and one month, gradually assuming heavier responsibilities. Mr. Morrison then entered the jobbing business on his own account as a member of The Paterson Coal Company, with which he was connected for eighteen months, and in 1917 was selected as collection manager of the Toledo War Chest. Mr. Morrison acted as collection manager until after the close of the World war and during 1920 and 1921 was industrial secretary of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. His work in that connection was also productive of excellent results and on March 1, 1922, he was chosen manager of The Merchants Credit & Adjustment Company, to which he has rendered the services of an expert. During his tenure of office the membership has increased from one hundred and twenty-six to over twelve hundred and about thirty-five persons are now employed by the company, which has one of the best equipped offices of the kind in the United States. It is supplied with every known modern device for conducting the business and over three hundred thousand names are recorded in the files, embracing Lucas and adjoining counties. The company keeps a record of all transfers of real and personal property, such as mortgages and chattels, and furnishes its members with credit ratings on short notice. Mr. Morrison has perfected a highly efficient system and is also chairman of the service department and a director of the National Retail Credit Association. He was the organizer of the Associated Credit Bureaus of Ohio and has been its president for three years.

Mr. Morrison was married January 23, 1901, in Toledo to Miss Minnie M. Dupuis, a native of New Brunswick, Canada, and of French lineage. They reside at No. 518 Lowell drive and Mr. Morrison's office is at No. 445 Huron street. He is a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Automobile Club and Sanford L. Collins Lodge, No. 396, F. & A. M. When national issues are at stake he votes the republican ticket but casts an independent ballot at local elections, and in religious faith is a Presbyterian. He is an enthusiastic fisherman and also enjoys motoring. Energetic and purposeful, Mr. Morrison has constantly broadened his

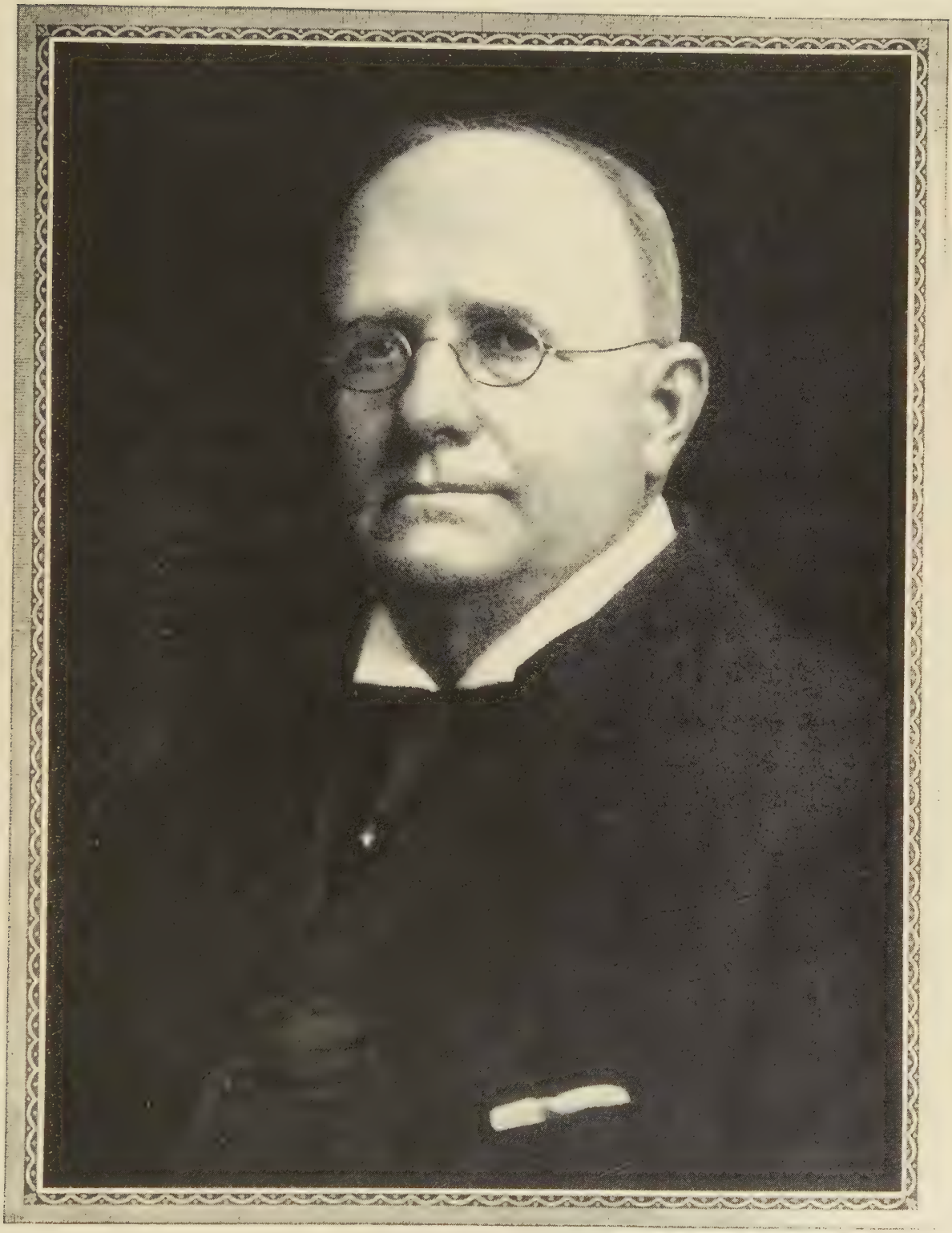
field of usefulness, achieving distinction through the force of his personality and the strength of his mental endowments. He has a wide acquaintance and draws his friends from all walks of life.

COLONEL GEORGE PLUMB WALDORF

Those forces which have contributed most to the development, improvement and benefit of Ohio have received impetus from the labors of Colonel George Plumb Waldorf, whose life record reflects credit and honor upon the state. For years he was a leader in the national councils of the republican party and has filled with distinction many important public offices. Self-reliance, intelligence and determination were his youthful partimony and with these assets he has achieved the full measure of success. He is one of the foremost realtors of Toledo and is distinctively a man of large affairs and one who wields a wide and potent influence.

Colonel Waldorf was born upon the Western Reserve, in Brookfield, Trumbull county, Ohio, December 20, 1849. Asa Burton Waldorf was the son of David and Eunice (Burton) Waldorf, and his wife, Jerusha Eliza Waldorf, was the daughter of Ransom and Hannah Wilmot. Asa B. and Jerusha E. Waldorf were born and reared on the farms of their respective parents in Trumbull county and became the parents of George Plumb and Wilmot David Waldorf. Asa Burton, the father of Eunice (Burton) Waldorf, was a wealthy farmer of Trumbull county and lived to the age of ninety-two. His wife, Eunice Webber, was the daughter of Colonel Ebenezer Webber, of Worthington, Massachusetts, who commanded a company of state militia. With his company he enlisted in the Continental army and served throughout the Revolutionary war.

Three brothers by the name of Waldorf, born in the town of Waldorf, Germany, came to this country prior to the Revolution and from them descended those of the name in America. Authentic history is not in possession of this branch of the Waldorf family, but tradition handed down



G. P. Waldorf

says that the German family from which these brothers sprang lived in a stone house and was one of high standing and influence, and that the three brothers were soldiers in the Continental army.

Colonel Waldorf's father was a lawyer. In 1852 he moved his family to Lima, Allen county, Ohio, where he practiced his profession in partnership with Matt H. Nichols, who served in congress for two terms from the Lima district, first as a democrat, then as a whig. Mr. Waldorf, who was a free-soiler, supported his partner as a whig. In 1858 he purchased a farm three miles east of Lima and owing to failing health moved his family to that place, where he died in 1859.

In 1861 the family returned to Lima, where the mother taught in the public schools until her two sons, George P. and Wilmot D., were able to provide for her. There George P. Waldorf was educated, except for three years' attendance at a country school and one year in the Phillips Academy in Exeter, New Hampshire, where he went to prepare for Harvard College. In September of the second year at Exeter, owing to a temporary lapse of health, he was compelled to suspend his studies, and this changed the whole course of his life, for he had planned to become a lawyer. In order to aid his mother he left school at the age of sixteen and obtained employment in the book store of Woodward & Nichols, receiving one hundred and fifty dollars for the first and two hundred and fifty dollars for the second year's service. At the age of eighteen he entered the employ of Joseph H. Dague, from whom he received five hundred dollars and six hundred dollars respectively for two years' work as a dry goods salesman. In September, 1870, having spent the preceding summer in preparation, he entered the Phillips Academy as a middle year student. While there he became of age and cast his first vote in Exeter in the spring of 1871, when the local township officers were elected.

In 1872 Colonel Waldorf made his first commercial venture, purchasing the old book store in Lima in which he had previously worked as a clerk. He continued as its proprietor until 1883, when he sold the business and devoted his attention to the duties of postmaster. In 1885 petroleum was discovered at Lima, the first well in the field being

drilled by B. C. Faurot, who was boring for natural gas for his paper mill. Colonel Waldorf at once entered the oil business in association with B. C. Faurot, Judge C. M. Hughes and James B. Townsend, then prosecuting attorney of Allen county, and soon afterward they combined with the McCalmont Oil Company of Bradford, Pennsylvania, in incorporating the first company in the field. It was known as The Trenton Rock Oil Company, of which Colonel Waldorf became the general manager as well as the secretary and treasurer. This company became a considerable factor in the pioneer development of the new field, which rapidly attracted the oil men from the old fields and became famous in extent and richness. The Trenton Rock Oil Company drilled about fifty experimental wells along a line of about sixty miles between Findlay and Celina, Ohio, where they had acquired fifty thousand acres of leases under the direction of "Farmer" Dean, Colonel Waldorf having charge of the leasing operations. The Standard Oil Company became the dominating power in the field and arbitrarily reduced the price of the crude oil to fifteen cents, holding it there until they were enabled to buy out the large majority of the producers. Among these was The Trenton Rock Oil Company, which went out of business in 1889, relinquishing thousands of acres which proved to be valuable producing territory.

In April, 1890, Colonel Waldorf removed his family to Toledo and here established his home. In the fall of 1893 he had been appointed collector of internal revenue for the tenth Ohio district, and as the principal office of the district is located in this city, convenience dictated the change in his residence. For thirteen years he was retained in that capacity, proving exceptionally well qualified for the post and retiring July 1, 1907. During that time Colonel Waldorf and his wife had acquired valuable property in Toledo and decided to remain in the city. In addition to managing these interests he took charge of the affairs of The Standard Copper Mining Company, which was then developing supposed valuable copper claims in Wyoming, and as president of the corporation he instituted well defined plans for its progress and success but the field proved to be unprofitable and the project was abandoned. He is president of the Waldorf Realty Company,

which owns the Waldorf Hotel of Toledo, and has created a business of extensive proportions, manifesting keen sagacity and marked foresight in the conduct of his affairs. The exercise of effort keeps him alert, and although eighty years of age, he appears much younger, being remarkably well preserved.

On Thanksgiving day in 1871 a double wedding was solemnized in Lima at the residence of Mrs. Jane W. Holmes, the widow of Branson P. Holmes, a prominent dry goods merchant. At that time Mrs. Holmes' two elder daughters, Elizabeth Viella and Mary Reed, were united in marriage to William L. Porter and George P. Waldorf. A sister of Mrs. Holmes was the wife of Judge William H. West, of Bellefontaine, Ohio. For some time Mrs. Holmes made her home with her son, Frank W. Holmes, of Lima, residing across the street from her daughter, Florence, Mrs. William L. Mackenzie. The mother attained an advanced age, passing away in Lima and was laid to rest in Woodlawn cemetery. Colonel Waldorf and his wife, Mary Reed Holmes, became the parents of two children: Burton Holmes, who was married in 1903 to Marion Tyler Andrews, a daughter of Samuel Andrews, of Toledo; and Kate Williams, who was the wife of Karl T. Kirk, of Zanesville, Ohio, and has two sons, Waldorf Tilton and William. Mrs. Kirk later became the wife of Captain J. Daniel Anderson and resides in Toledo. Colonel Waldorf's first wife died in 1899 and in 1901 he married Viella Holmes Porter, the widow of William L. Porter. She passed away in 1918 at Toledo and her remains were interred in Woodlawn cemetery, Lima, Ohio.

An ardent republican, Colonel Waldorf entered politics at the age of twenty, taking naturally to the game from his early youth. His father was closely identified with the leading men who were of anti-slavery proclivities, and many went to the farm to consult with him upon the questions that were casting the shadow of war and which the civil conflict thereafter came to settle. In those times to be a republican was to be a patriot, and the stirring incidents rapidly following gave young Waldorf the inspiration to become a politician. He became the friend and confidant of John Sherman, William McKinley, Mark A. Hanna, Charles Foster and George K. Nash and has been intimately acquainted with all the state

leaders of his party from 1876 to the present time. He was elected a delegate to the national republican convention of 1888 from the Lima district, and a like honor was bestowed upon him by the Toledo district in 1904, at which time he was selected by the Ohio delegation to serve on the committee of notification, which he accompanied to Oyster Bay, where Theodore Roosevelt was officially notified of his nomination as the republican candidate for president.

Colonel Waldorf has been the recipient of many trusts, all of which have been faithfully discharged. On the 11th of May, 1877, President Hayes appointed him postmaster of Lima, Ohio, which office he filled for nine years, during the administrations of Hayes, Garfield, Arthur and Cleveland, retiring when the democrats came into power. He received from President Harrison the appointment of collector of internal revenue for the tenth district of Ohio on September 18, 1889, in which capacity he acted for four years, and was succeeded by a democrat chosen by President Cleveland. On May 28, 1898, President McKinley appointed Colonel Waldorf to the same collectorship, in which he was retained under Presidents McKinley and Roosevelt until July 1, 1907, when a political friend, General W. V. McMaken, succeeded him, completing twenty-two years of federal service, twice broken by the election of President Cleveland. On January 11, 1886, Governor Foraker appointed him a member of his military staff, with the rank of colonel, and reappointed him January 9, 1888.

Colonel Waldorf united with the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church of Toledo and was one of its elders for a number of years. In 1908 he became interested in Christian Science and has been a practitioner for twelve years. In 1873 he was inducted into the Masonic order, becoming a member of Lima Lodge, No. 205. He now belongs to Sanford L. Collins Lodge, No. 396, F. & A. M., of Toledo and is also a member of Anthony Wayne Chapter of the Ohio Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. The Colonel enjoys his home, which since May 8, 1929, is with his son, at 2137 Potomac Drive, Toledo, his friends and his books. He loves to serve his friends and takes a lively interest in political affairs, although he feels that he has served his ap-

prenticeship in the laborious work that clean politics demands, and delights in seeing younger men discharge the active duties that should be cheerfully performed by every American citizen. He is a deep thinker on all vital problems and nothing is foreign to him that concerns his fellows or touches the world's progress. His has been a long, honorable and eventful career of conspicuous usefulness, and fortunate indeed is the city that can point to men of the type of Colonel George P. Waldorf as its exemplar.

BRUCE Z. GOOD

Tiffin has few business men more thoroughly imbued with the spirit of enterprise than is Bruce Z. Good, president of The Loomis Machine Company and a recognized leader in local industrial circles. He was born in this city on the 30th of April, 1874, a son of Jacob and Sarah Good, and supplemented his public school education by a course in the Heidelberg Business College. His first knowledge of the manufacturing activities in which he is now engaged was gained in the Tiffin plant of the National Machinery Company, with which he spent ten years, acquiring valuable experience. In 1903 he entered the employ of Loomis & Nieman and for over a quarter of a century has been identified with the business, to which he has given the best efforts of his life. In 1903 the name was changed to Loomis Machine Company and a decade later, in 1913, the concern was incorporated as The Loomis Machine Company. Mr. Good gradually assumed heavier responsibilities and as an incorporator in 1913 was secretary and treasurer of the corporation, whose destiny he has more recently controlled as president. He is directly responsible for the development of the industry to its present magnitude and its enviable position among users of mine blast drilling machinery which is manufactured by the firm and which predominates this field in the country. Modern equipment has been added to the factory, which is located at Nos. 13 to 17 East Market street, and Mr. Good has introduced many new theories which have been effectively utilized in mine blasting and in the production of raw materials for the manufacture

of steel, gypsum, lime, cement, etc. Mr. Good closely supervises the details of the work and his correct estimate of men has enabled him to fill many branches of his business with employes who seldom fail to meet his expectations. He has the initiative and executive power so essential to important achievement.

Mr. Good was married August 8, 1915, to Miss Helen Louise Chamberlain, of Tiffin, and they now have two daughters, Nancy Jane and Mary Elizabeth. Mr. Good is affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran church and casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party. In Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree and is identified with both the York and Scottish Rites. He is also a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Lincoln Club, the Mohawk Country Club and the Mohawk Golf Club. In public affairs he manifests a deep and helpful interest and is a member of the board of directors of the Young Men's Christian Association of Tiffin. Moreover, he is a director of the Chamber of Commerce and he is interested in several other corporations. Through tireless industry and the wise use of the gifts with which nature endowed him, Mr. Good has risen to a position of broad influence and usefulness and is esteemed for the qualities to which he owes his success.

LESLIE HENRY

Leslie Henry, one of the younger attorneys of Toledo, was born in this city, June 19, 1904, and is the son of Herbert Leslie and Bertha Cecelia (Yorkey) Henry, the former a native of Blissfield, Michigan. The mother was born in Ligonier, Indiana, and is a daughter of Augustus Yorkey, who still resides in that town. He is a Union veteran and has attained the venerable age of eighty-nine years. Herbert L. Henry is, and has been since an early age, connected with the New York Central Railroad. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Henry make their home in Maumee, Ohio, and have two children: Leslie; and Alice, who was born March 6, 1908.

The son acquired his public school education in Toledo and pursued his advanced studies in the University of Mich-

igan, which conferred upon him the degree of A. B. in 1926 and that of J. D. in 1928. While at Michigan he received the keys of Phi Beta Kappa and of the Order of the Coif. He was admitted to the bar of Ohio in 1928 and has since been identified with the firm of Tracy, Chapman & Welles, of Toledo. Mr. Henry is a member of the University Club of Toledo.

EDMUND TERRY COLLINS

Edmund Terry Collins, who represents the third generation of the family in Toledo, has successfully engaged in the real estate and loan business for a period of twenty years and has also performed his share of public service. He was born in this city on the 12th of June, 1876, a son of Daniel A. and Eva (Terry) Collins, and a grandson of Sanford L. Collins, whose biographical record is published elsewhere in this volume. Daniel A. Collins was born in Toledo in 1837 and became one of its successful insurance agents. His deep interest in the advancement of the city prompted his effective efforts in its behalf, and for a number of years he served on the board of aldermen, of which he was president at one time. His life was long, upright and useful and was brought to a close in 1909, when he was seventy-two years of age.

Edmund T. Collins supplemented his public school education by a course at the University of Toledo and then entered upon his commercial career. For a number of years he was identified with the hardware trade and in 1909 embarked in the real estate and loan business, in which he has since continued with gratifying success. He is secretary, treasurer and manager of The Second Mortgage Securities Company of Toledo and a dominant factor in the conduct of the business, which is one of large proportions. Mr. Collins is generally regarded as the best property appraiser in the city, and his services in this connection are in constant demand. He also has financial interests and is a member of the trust committee of the Commerce Guardian Trust & Savings Bank of Toledo.

Mr. Collins was married November 7, 1906, in Bellevue, Ohio, to Miss Martha R. Wood, a daughter of James B. Wood,

a pioneer of that locality, and they have become the parents of a son, Edmund T., Jr., who was born in Toledo, May 15, 1911, and is now a student at Washington and Jefferson College.

Mr. Collins is a Knight Templar Mason and a Noble of Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He has attained the thirty-second degree in the order. He is an ex-president of the local Kiwanis Club and belongs to the Toledo Club, the Chamber of Commerce and Ohio Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and for thirteen years he has been a member of the civil service commission of Toledo. He is affiliated with the First Congregational church and conscientiously follows its teachings. Mr. Collins is well known as an enterprising business man of strict honesty and a public spirited citizen who sustains the high reputation of the family.

CLARENCE I. KUNTZ, M. D.

One of the leading physicians of Fremont, as well as one of its most popular citizens, is Dr. Clarence I. Kuntz, who has been engaged in the practice of medicine here for fifteen years, during which time he has built up a large practice and gained an enviable reputation. Dr. Kuntz was born in Tiffin, Seneca county, Ohio, on the 16th day of December, 1885, and received his elementary education in the public schools of that locality. After attending Heidelburg College at Tiffin, Ohio, he then entered the medical school of Western Reserve University, in Cleveland, from which he was graduated, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1913. He served one year in St. Vincent's Hospital at Erie, Pennsylvania. In June, 1914, he entered upon the practice of his profession in Fremont, where he has continued to the present time with the exception of the period of his military service. For awhile he served in the students training unit hospital at Erie, Pennsylvania, and was later commissioned a lieutenant, and then promoted to a captaincy, in the medical reserves at Camp Sherman, being attached to the Fortieth Infantry Regiment. At the close of the war he was honorably discharged and

resumed his practice. He has a nicely furnished and well equipped office at 409½ West State street and has been more than ordinarily successful in combatting disease, being held in grateful regard by many who have benefited by his ministrations. He is a member of the medical staff of the Memorial Hospital and belongs to the Sandusky County Medical Society and the Ohio State Medical Society and is a fellow of the American Medical Association.

In 1912 Dr. Kuntz was united in marriage to Miss Kathryn M. Decker, of Tiffin, Ohio, daughter of William and Hermine (Krebesbach) Decker, both living in Tiffin, Ohio. Dr. and Mrs. Kuntz are the parents of five children, namely: Genevieve M., now sixteen years of age, William H., fourteen, John J., twelve, Mary Alice, nine, and Clarence I., Jr., six years of age. Dr. Kuntz is a democrat in his political views and takes a deep interest in public affairs. While in Heidelburg College he took the course in oratory and has done much effective public speaking, particularly on educational subjects. He teaches biology in St. Joseph's high school and has coached the basketball team of that institution for six years, being at the present time director of athletics in that school. He is a member of the American Legion, the Lions Club, the Knights of Columbus and he and his wife are earnest members of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church, of which he is a councilman. He is now chairman of the Knights of Columbus Boy Scout Troop committee and that he is keenly interested in the political situation is shown in the fact that he is now a member of the democratic county executive committee. A man of high ideals, to which he is absolutely loyal, his record since coming to Fremont has gained for him a high place in public esteem, while among his associates and acquaintances he is deservedly popular.

RHEU J. GARTY

Like most men of prominence in the commercial world of today, Rheu J. Garty owes his advancement to hard work, coupled with the ability to meet and master situations, and is one of the forceful executives of The Toledo Title Company,

while he also represents other large corporations in official capacities. He was born in Fayette, Fulton county, Ohio, August 17, 1879, and is a son of Jacob B. and Mary (Crouse) Garty. The father was born near Reading, Pennsylvania, March 13, 1853, and is of Dutch ancestry. Late in the '50s his parents went to Michigan, settling near Monroe, and there he received his education. In 1876, when a young man of twenty-three, he came to Ohio and established his home in Fayette, where he was married. He followed the trade of a mason for many years, filling contracts throughout northwestern Ohio, and he accumulated a substantial competence which enables him to spend the sunset period of life in ease and comfort. His wife was born in Ottawa, Ohio, March 15, 1857, and is of German lineage. Mr. and Mrs. Garty celebrated their golden wedding anniversary on the 12th of March, 1928, and have a family of three children: Rheu J.; Ray N., a well known pharmacist of Toledo; and Reo, the wife of Arloe V. Belding, of Lakewood, Ohio.

Rheu J. Garty attended the public schools of his native town and made his first money by working on a farm, receiving seventeen dollars per month. Afterward he turned to educational work and taught for three years in the schools of Fulton county, while for two years he was an instructor in a state institution at Athens, Ohio. In this way he acquired the funds necessary for his law course and in 1905 won the degree of LL. B. from the University of Michigan. He was admitted to the Ohio bar and began the practice of law in Toledo in 1905. In 1907, at the time of its organization, he became connected with The Toledo Title Company, with which he continued in various legal capacities until it absorbed the business of the Lucas County Abstract Company. Mr. Garty has since been executive vice president and treasurer of The Toledo Title Company and through the exercise of his legal acumen and administrative power has aided in making this one of the largest and strongest corporations of the kind in the state. He is secretary of the Carl E. Mehring Company of Toledo and vice president of the National Survey Company, Inc., which have also derived substantial benefit from his wisdom, experience and cooperation.

Mr. Garty was married June 3, 1908, in Collingwood,

Ontario, Canada, to Miss Mary E. Adams, a native of that city and a daughter of John and Mary (Thorpe) Adams, members of old and prominent families of Collingwood. Mr. and Mrs. Garty have two children: Paul H., who was born March 18, 1911; and Mary Louise, born April 17, 1914.

Mr. Garty is a member of the Toledo Yacht Club, the Ohio Title Association and the American Title Association. His wife takes a leading part in the activities of Silver Star Circle of the King's Daughters and is also a member of the Sama-Gama Club, the Business & Professional Women's Club and the Woman's Club of Toledo. Both are affiliated with the First Congregational church, and Mr. Garty is an adherent of the republican party. His office is in the Spitzer building, and his residence is at No. 3240 Kimball avenue. He enjoys outdoor life and has an attractive summer home at Stony Point peninsula on Lake Erie. His standards of life are high, and he commands the respect of all who know him.

RAY C. MYERS

Ray C. Myers, energetic and well poised, is ready to meet life's duties and obligations with confidence and courage and his ability as a funeral director is bringing him rapidly to the front in business circles of Tiffin. He was born in Wyandot county, Ohio, August 18, 1901, and is a son of Ervin R. and Hattie (Walton) Myers, also natives of this state, the father being now a retired farmer.

Reared on a farm, Ray C. Myers obtained his rudimentary instruction in a country school and in 1920 received a diploma from the Tiffin high school, afterward attending the Cincinnati School of Embalming, of which he is a graduate. After working for a number of morticians in Tiffin, he went to Toledo, where he obtained valuable practical experience with William Caldwell, the foremost undertaker of that city, where he remained a year and a half. In 1926 Mr. Myers began his independent career as a mortician, locating at No. 155 East Perry street, and now has one of the well appointed funeral homes of Tiffin. Its facilities are adapted

to every need and under his expert management the business is rapidly expanding.

On August 29, 1928, Mr. Myers was united in marriage to Miss Adela Shedenhelm, daughter of William G. and Laura (Adams) Shedenhelm, of Tiffin, and both are prominent in the social life of the city. Mr. Myers is affiliated with the Church of Christ. Along fraternal lines he is connected with Tiffin Lodge, No. 77, F. & A. M., also the Chapter and Council, the Eagles, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias and the Modern Woodmen of America. He is a member of the Exchange Club. Although young in years, Mr. Myers has already advanced far on the highroad which leads to success, and his efficiency, industry and determination insure his continued progress.

WILLIAM L. URSCHEL

William L. Urschel, one of the leading figures in the lime industry of northwestern Ohio, president and founder of the William L. Urschel Lime & Stone Company, passed away very suddenly on June 22, 1928, near Cincinnati, Ohio, while on a business trip. He was born in Monclova, Lucas county, Ohio, May 9, 1876, a son of John and Mary (Schenkel) Urschel. The family is of German origin and the first of this branch to emigrate to America was Daniel Urschel, grandfather of William L., who came early in the nineteenth century and settled near Navarre in Stark county, Ohio. John Urschel, son of Daniel, was born in Stark county and learned the trade of tanner, which he followed in early life, and for a period was located at Monclova. Later he was engaged in farming in Stark county, and was also associated with his sons in the lime industry at Woodville. He died in Toledo in 1914, at the age of seventy-six years, while his wife also died in the same year when she was sixty-six years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Urschel were the parents of three sons: Daniel F., who resides at Florence, Kansas; John J., of Toledo, a sketch of whom appears elsewhere in this publication; and William L., of this review.

William L. Urschel was about one year old when the

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family returned to Stark county. He was reared to farm work and received his education in the public schools. When the family removed to Woodville in the late '90s to develop their interests in the lime business, Mr. Urschel embarked on a business career that not only brought a large financial success but gave him a national reputation in his line. For a number of years he was associated with his father and brothers in the Woodville Lime Products Company but in 1927 disposed of his interests in the corporation to his brother, John J. Urschel. In the year 1923 William L. Urschel founded the William L. Urschel Lime & Stone Company and it grew to be a powerful factor in the lime industry. In 1929 this business was sold by the estate to the France Stone Company of Toledo. Mr. Urschel had other large business interests, among which were the Toledo-Baltimore Bottle Cap Company, of which he was president, the Urschel Engineering Company and the Valve Bag Company, in which he was a large owner for a number of years until a short time previous to his death.

On December 22, 1898, Mr. Urschel was married to Miss Elizabeth Ann Gerber of Stark county, daughter of Elias and Maria (Snively) Gerber. Mr. and Mrs. Urschel became parents of a daughter, Lucille M., who is the wife of James Reed Morris, president of the Toledo-Baltimore Bottle Cap Company of Toledo, and she is the mother of one child, Elizabeth Deria.

Mr. Urschel was a member of Portage Lodge, No. 351, F. & A. M., at Elmore, Ohio; Oak Harbor Chapter, No. 162, R. A. M.; St. Omer Commandery, No. 59, K. T.; and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He was also a member of the Toledo Club and the Inverness Golf Club, and was a republican in politics, but never cared for public office. His religious faith was indicated by his membership in the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church, and he served on its official board for a number of years. He was an enthusiastic yachtsman and for many years was active in yachting circles, owning one of the largest yachts of the Toledo fleet and serving as commodore of the Toledo Yacht Club. He was interested in the development of the Toledo zoological park and contributed liberally toward its expansion. Mr. Urschel stood as a high

type of the American citizen, resourceful, farsighted, public-spirited, and in every relation of life he enjoyed the good will and confidence of those with whom he came in contact. His aid and influence were ever given on the side of progress and improvement, and his worth as a man and citizen was widely acknowledged. The family residence was at 2936 Collingwood avenue.

BENJAMIN F. JAMES

For over forty years Benjamin F. James has been identified as counsel with many important cases in the courts of Wood county, and in Bowling Green, where he has been engaged in the practice of law during this entire period, he is regarded one of the leaders of the bar, as well as one of the community's most influential citizens. Mr. James was born in Mt. Gilead, Morrow county, Ohio, on the 30th of April, 1863, and is a son of William D. and Sarah (Meredith) James. His paternal grandfather, Edmund James, was a native of Wales, from which country he came to the United States in young manhood, settling near Granville, Ohio, where he married Esther Griffith, who also was born in Wales, and soon after their marriage they moved to Chesterville, Morrow county, this state. They became the parents of ten children, one of whom, William D., was born December 22, 1815, and died May 13, 1875. He was a farmer and also an extensive stock dealer, and in his political views was first a whig and later a republican. His wife, whose death occurred September 27, 1894, was born at Chesterville, Ohio, July 30, 1818, and was a daughter of William and Mary (Farmer) Meredith. To Mr. and Mrs. James were born ten children, namely: Mrs. Lucretia Peterson, Milo, Mrs. Mary E. Moore, James H., Milton D., Robert W., Keturah, Mrs. Jennie E. Crawford, Ellsworth W. and Benjamin F.

Benjamin F. James was reared on his father's farm and at the age of fifteen years determined to secure a thorough education. To this end, during the ensuing six years he attended Chesterville high school, Ohio Wesleyan University, Denison University and Chicago University, receiving from

the latter institution the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1884. For the year following he was professor of Latin and Greek in Bardstown College, Kentucky, and the next year was professor of Latin and Greek in Burlington College, Burlington, Iowa, having been tendered the presidency of that college at the close of that year. He had determined to devote his life to the legal profession and felt compelled to decline the proffer. He then entered Yale University for post graduate and law studies and received therefrom the degree of Bachelor of Laws.

For more than forty years past he has practiced his profession in Northwestern Ohio with offices both in Bowling Green and Toledo. He is regarded as one of the most capable members of the Ohio bar, has been accorded a large practice and has honored his profession by his adherence to its noblest traditions and highest ideals.

In his political views Mr. James is a republican and has taken an active interest in public affairs. He has served as city solicitor, was a member of the general assembly of Ohio from 1891 to 1895 and in 1905 became attorney for the Spanish Treaty Claims commission, created by the act of congress under the treaty of Paris of December 20, 1898, and spent two winters in Cuba and one summer in Spain, resigning in 1907 to return to the practice of law. Fraternally he is a thirty-second degree Mason, a member of Zeta Psi college fraternity and Phi Delta Phi law fraternity, having been the founder of the latter at Yale and its first charter member. A man of gracious and kindly manner, cordial and unaffected in his social relations, and standing for all that is best in the life of the community, he has proven worthy of the confidence and respect which has been accorded him.

JAMES E. NAYLOR

James E. Naylor, a member of the Toledo bar, the only son of Joseph R. Naylor, Jr., and Jennie (Edwards) Naylor, was born in Beloit, Mahoning county, Ohio, January 17, 1902. The family was established in this state by his grandfather,

Joseph R. Naylor, Sr., who came from New Jersey and was one of the early settlers in that district.

James E. Naylor spent the first eleven years of his life on his father's farm near Beloit, when his parents moved to Sebring, Ohio, where they resided until his father's death, February 13, 1920. He was graduated from Sebring high school in 1920; received his A. B. degree from Mount Union College in 1924; was graduated from the Law School of Western Reserve University in 1927, and was admitted to the bar the same year. Since that time he has been engaged in the practice at Toledo, now being associated with the firm of Johnson, Johnson & Farber. He is a member of the Ohio State Bar Association, the Toledo Bar Association, the Masonic order, Phi Delta Phi and Alpha Tau Omega fraternities.

LE ROY FRANKLIN MACKLEY

Closely applying himself to the work in hand, Le Roy F. Mackley has been carried steadily forward until he now ranks with the most prominent life insurance men of Toledo. He was born in Portage, Wood county, Ohio, May 9, 1889, and is a son of Joseph Henry and Mary Catherine (Perry) Mackley, the latter now deceased. His father became a Union soldier in 1861, enlisting in Pennsylvania, and he was wounded in the line of duty. He served from the beginning until the close of the Civil war, in which his brother, John Mackley, also participated. While residing in Pennsylvania they engaged in the oil business, afterward transferring their operations to Ohio and here becoming pioneers in the development of that industry in Wood county. To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Mackley were born six children, of whom two died in infancy, and four survive. George V., the eldest, was born in the state of New York and completed his education in Ohio, graduating from the Portage high school. He was in the employ of various oil companies of Wood county and is connected with the National Milling Company of Toledo. In North Baltimore, Ohio, he married Miss Hallie Harry, by whom he has two daughters, Irene and Leota.

Irene was united in marriage to Dallas Cline, who is engaged in the automobile business in Toledo. Edna E. is the wife of Arthur L. Ewing, who removed to Toledo from Bowling Green, Ohio, and has been identified with the National Milling Company for eighteen years. Their children are Robert Lee, Maybelle, Florence and Vernon Edward. Josephine was born in Portage, Ohio, and when but a year old was taken to Adams county, Pennsylvania, by the Rev. Wilson Eyler. She acquired her education in the schools of that district and afterward became the wife of John Kepner, a farmer.

Le Roy F. Mackley, who completes the family, obtained his early instruction in Portage and pursued his high school studies in Toledo, attending night classes. For a time he engaged in agricultural pursuits and also worked for an oil company of Wood county. At the age of seventeen he became private secretary to George R. Love, superintendent of the State Hospital at Toledo, and filled the position from 1906 to 1915. He then entered the Toledo office of the Michigan Mutual Life Insurance Company of Detroit and was made cashier and bookkeeper, thus serving for a year. On the 5th of June, 1916, he became an agent for the Western & Southern Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati, becoming assistant superintendent fourteen months later, and on October 1, 1922, he was promoted to the office of superintendent in charge of the Lima, Ohio, district. On December 24, 1924, Mr. Mackley returned to Toledo and has since been in charge of the south district in that city. That his position is one of large responsibility is indicated in the fact that thirty representatives, twenty-four agents and five assistant superintendents, together with the office force, are under his direct supervision. A forceful and capable executive, he has developed a highly efficient organization and during his incumbency of the office of superintendent this has become one of the most profitable fields in which the company is operating.

Mr. Mackley was married May 19, 1911, to Miss Mabel C. Monahan, a native of Hudson, Michigan, and a daughter of John and Mary (O'Neil) Monahan. The father was born in County Louth, Ireland, and came to America with his parents in 1837. Settling in Lenawee county, Michigan, he purchased a farm and gradually added to his holdings until

he at length accumulated one thousand acres of fertile land. When gold was discovered in California he went to that state by way of Cape Horn but later returned to Michigan, spending the remainder of his life on his homestead. Mr. and Mrs. Mackley are the parents of four children: John Charles, who was born November 4, 1914; Jeannette A., born March 12, 1916; William L., born May 19, 1917; and Marie E., born April 3, 1919.

The parents are devout communicants of the Church of Our Lady of Spiritual Help and Mrs. Mackley is active in the work of the altar societies and the sodality of the church. The family reside at 1523 Detroit street, where Mr. Mackley owns an acre of ground, which is devoted to the growing of choice flowers. He is keenly interested in the science of floriculture and the occupation of gardening affords him much enjoyment. His best efforts are always given to any task that he undertakes, and his advancement is attributable to diligence and thoroughness—his salient characteristics.

SANFORD LANGWORTHY COLLINS

Toledo is a monument to the combined labors of many able, farsighted business men of the type of the late Sanford Langworthy Collins, whose life record is inseparably associated with the early history of the city's development. He was born in Brownville, Jefferson county, New York, April 4, 1805, a son of John W. and Mercy (Langworthy) Collins, natives of Connecticut. They were married in Stonington, Connecticut, in 1793 and a year later migrated to Oneida county, New York, where they spent eight years, removing to Jefferson county, that state, in 1802. John W. Collins was one of the organizers of the town of Brownville and there remained until his demise in 1810.

When a child of seven Sanford L. Collins went to Bridgewater, New York, and lived with his maternal uncle until he reached the age of fifteen. His boyhood was a period of hard and unremitting labor, and he had very limited educational opportunities. He left Bridgewater in company with his brother-in-law and conducted a hotel in Gaines, Orleans

county, New York, there remaining until he reached the age of twenty-one. For three years he followed the same line of activity in Lockport, New York, and in 1829 embarked in merchandising in Pendleton, where he also engaged in the lumber and stave business. At the end of two years he disposed of his holdings there and with his younger brother, Morgan L. Collins, journeyed to Detroit, Michigan, in July, 1831. After consulting an old friend in that city he continued his trip, visiting Ann Arbor, Jackson, Marshall and White Pigeon, Michigan. He was favorably impressed with the site of Jackson and entered a quarter section of land in what is now in the heart of that city. His brother departed for New York and Sanford L. Collins returned to Detroit, entering the employ of Lewis Godard.

In accordance with an agreement between Major Stickney, of Port Lawrence township, and Samuel Allen and Otis Hathaway, of Lockport, to plat a portion of the Major's farm for town purposes, Mr. Godard arranged with the latter for certain sections thereof. He was also to send a stock of goods to the new town, which was done in December, 1831, and Sanford L. Collins was made agent. The supplies were placed in the old blockhouse near the present corner of Jefferson avenue and Summit street, and this was the first sale of goods in what is now Toledo. In the spring of 1832 Mr. Collins was instructed by Mr. Godard to erect a store building on the southeast corner of Lagrange and Summit streets, to be occupied by Elkanah Briggs, and he completed the building in October, 1832. At that time Mr. Briggs was engaged in business in partnership with Mr. Godard under the style of Briggs & Godard and in February, 1833, when Mr. Godard withdrew from the firm, Mr. Collins returned to Toledo, which was then known as Vistula. He arrived here on the 2d of February and looked after the Indian claims when the Ottawa treaty was made. In the fall of 1832, in partnership with Stephen B. Comstock, he purchased lands at Tremainesville, known as the Burgess tract, which is now included within the corporation limits of Toledo. Soon after acquiring the property Mr. Comstock sold his interest therein to Mr. Godard, who joined Mr. Collins in erecting a store building, which was the second one at that location. In September, 1834, Mr.

Collins went to New York for a stock of goods and in November the merchandise was offered for sale. It was during this period that Morgan L. Collins and his brother John W. entered the business, which was conducted under the name of S. L. Collins & Company until 1837, when it was sold. Sanford L. Collins successfully administered the affairs of the firm and also prospered as an agriculturist and operator in real estate.

In January, 1834, Mr. Collins married Miss Harriet Whitney, a daughter of Noah A. Whitney, who settled in Ohio in 1824, when this region was largely a wilderness and aided in bringing to light its natural resources. Mr. Collins was a man of prominence in his district and efficiently discharged the many public trusts reposed in him. In 1834 he was appointed postmaster of Tremainesville, serving until 1842. In the year 1837 he was elected to the office of treasurer of Lucas county, being the first to serve in such capacity as the new county had just received its charter as one of the results of the famous Ohio and Michigan war, in which bloodless conflict he acted as captain of a militia company. In 1840 he assisted in forming Washington township and subsequently filled all of the offices in the township. Always deeply interested in Masonry and active in its behalf, Lodge No. 396, F. & A. M., was named in his honor. Strong in his convictions, he never swerved from the course he considered right, and his high sense of honor and marked public spirit made him universally admired and esteemed.

FARLAND W. KEIL

Farland W. Keil, cashier of the State Savings Bank of Woodville, Sandusky county, has spent his life thus far in this locality and has always commanded the respect of his fellow citizens because of his earnest purposes, his business ability and his genuine worth as a man and citizen. Mr. Keil was born in Woodville in 1885 and is a representative of one of the old and honored families of this locality, of which his grandfather, Jonas Keil, was one of the pioneer settlers. His father, J. F. Keil, was long identified with the business inter-

ests of the community and was regarded as one of its substantial citizens.

Farland W. Keil was born in Woodville, received his educational training in the grade and high schools and then went to work for the Lake Shore Electric Railroad, by which he was employed as a station agent for about five years. In 1916 he entered the State Savings Bank as assistant cashier and in 1921 was made cashier, in which position he is still serving, having been a large factor in the splendid growth and prosperity of that institution. This bank was organized in 1909, has a capital of twenty-five thousand dollars, a surplus of fifty thousand dollars, undivided profits of over twenty-seven thousand dollars and deposits of seven hundred and eighty thousand dollars. Mr. Keil is a stockholder in the bank, of which he has been a director since 1925, and has an interest in the Lucky Farmers Exchange, of this place.

In 1912 Mr. Keil was united in marriage to Miss Vada Neal, who was born in Genoa, Ohio, and they are the parents of a son, Gillert Dick, born June 9, 1914, and now in high school. Mr. Keil votes independently but has always been actively interested in local public affairs, being at this time treasurer of the village. He and his wife are members of the United Brethren church, to which they give generous support. He is now treasurer of United Brethren Sunday school and steward in the church. Mr. Keil belongs to the Sandusky County Bankers Association, the Ohio State Bankers Association and the American Bankers Association and is held in high regard among his fellow bankers. He has an enviable standing throughout his community and has a large circle of loyal friends.

IRA ELLIS HUNTER, M. D.

The medical profession in Toledo has in its ranks no more worthy member than Dr. Ira Ellis Hunter, who has been successfully engaged in the practice in this city for the past quarter of a century. He was born at Shiloh, Richland county, Ohio, May 13, 1869, and is a son of Samuel S. and Julania C. (Breneman) Hunter. His paternal grandparents

were John and Eliza (Ellis) Hunter, both of whom were natives of New York state and died in Ohio. John Hunter was a blacksmith by occupation, and both he and his wife held membership in the Disciples church. His son, Samuel S. Hunter, was born in Pompey, New York, in 1834 and died near Greenwich, Ohio, June 22, 1909. He was engaged in mercantile pursuits in Shiloh for twenty-five years but later turned his attention to farming. Both he and his wife passed away at the old homestead at Greenwich which is now the property of Dr. Hunter, who is deeply attached to the place because of the memories associated therewith. Mrs. Samuel S. Hunter bore the maiden name of Julania C. Breneman and was born near Greenwich, Ohio, her parents being John and Barbara (Richard) Breneman, who were natives of Pennsylvania and Ohio, respectively, and who passed away on their farm near Greenwich. Samuel S. and Julania C. (Breneman) Hunter were the parents of seven children, five sons and two daughters, namely: Milo Monroe, a farmer living near Greenwich, Ohio; Mrs. Freeman Enger, of Greenwich; Dr. Frederick S., who practiced medicine in Michigan and died in Toledo, January 8, 1910; George Washington, a hotel proprietor of Bucyrus, Ohio, who died in Toledo in 1926; John B., who was a farmer near Greenwich and died in 1923; Mrs. George McDonald, of San Diego, California, who departed this life in 1918; and Ira Ellis, of this review.

The last named attended the public schools at Shiloh and was graduated from the Greenwich high school in 1889. Next he attended Hiram College for one year and for a similar period was a student in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio, after which he taught school for a year. Having determined to devote his life to the practice of medicine, he matriculated in the Miami Medical College of Cincinnati, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1900. He entered upon the practice of his profession in Wooster, Ohio, where he remained for two years, on the expiration of which period he accepted an appointment as first assistant surgeon at the State Soldiers Home at Sandusky, Ohio, continuing in that capacity for about two years. In 1904 he located in East Toledo, where he has followed his profession to the present time, devoting the greater part of

his attention to obstetrical cases, and has gained high standing in the ranks of the medical fraternity, being regarded as a learned and capable practitioner. He is a member of the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital, Flower Hospital, Maternity and Children's Hospital and East Side Hospital; visiting physician to Robinwood Hospital, and his practice has become one of large proportions.

Dr. Hunter has been married twice. At Des Moines, Iowa, on June 24, 1903, he wedded Miss Lena Mary Kleinfelder, who was born in Joliet, Illinois, and died in Toledo, Ohio, August 20, 1909. She was a trained nurse, which profession she followed prior to her marriage. Her parents were Amos and Susan (Hammer) Kleinfelder, residing in the vicinity of Canton, Ohio, both of whom are deceased. Both the paternal and maternal grandfathers of Mrs. Lena Hunter were ministers of the Evangelical church. On June 24, 1913, in Toledo, Dr. Hunter was married to Miss Pearl Belle Langendorf, who was born and reared in this city and is a daughter of Jacob and Belle Langendorf. Mrs. Pearl Hunter was educated in the public schools of Toledo and is a member of the Women's Educational Club, the Toledo Women's Club and the Dendarah Court of Shrine. Dr. and Mrs. Hunter are the parents of two children: Thomas Edward, born July 5, 1915; and Margaret Eloise, born August 15, 1917.

Dr. Hunter volunteered for service in the World war; enlisted in the Medical Reserve Corps, received the commission of captain, and was stationed at Fort Myer, Virginia, during 1918 and 1919. While there he was medical adviser to General Peyton C. March and family, as well as the family of Major General Charles T. Menoher, who commanded the Rainbow Division in France. In his political views Dr. Hunter has always been a democrat. He is a member of the Masonic order, including all of its branches up to and including the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, also belongs to Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine, to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, to the East Toledo Club and the Highland Meadows Golf Club. Dr. Hunter's professional relations are with the Toledo and Lucas County Academy of Medicine, the Maumee Medical Society, of which he has served as president, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medi-

cal Association. He and his wife are members of the Euclid Avenue Methodist Episcopal church, in which he has served on the board of trustees for eight years. Dr. Hunter's residence is at 2608 Fulton avenue, Toledo, and his summer cottage is at Devil's Lake, Michigan, where fishing furnishes him relaxation.

CHARLES A. VAN DUSEN

In the career of Charles A. Van Dusen, president of the Van Dusen Auto Repair & Machine Company, of Toledo, stands an exemplification of the fact that for the young man of industry, good sense and character success is within his reach, regardless of apparent obstacles. He was born in Monroe, Michigan, on the 14th of May, 1869, and, being left an orphan when only an infant, he was put in the Coldwater Orphans Home in Branch county, that state, in which he remained until ten years of age. He was then taken by Willard Chapman, a farmer, living near Shiloh, Michigan, with whom he remained for four years. His school education was confined to the time he was in the orphans home and during the winter months while living with Mr. Chapman, when he attended a district school. However, during subsequent years he devoted his spare time to reading and study and is regarded a well informed man on a wide range of subjects.

When fourteen years old Mr. Van Dusen started out to make his own way in the world, working on farms and in the north woods of Michigan, where he found employment in lumber camps with various companies, and also at times assisted longshoremen in loading and unloading boats. When eighteen years old he came to Toledo and went to work for the New York Central Railroad as a carpenter and stonemason, being employed also as a roundhouse laborer and a foreman, switching cars and passing through the various grades of yard work, including those of yard master, until 1894, when he was made night general yard master. In the following year he went to Chicago and engaged in switching cars at the Calumet terminal. Later he went to Massillon, Ohio, as extra brakeman on the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railroad;

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was promoted to yard brakeman, then to yard switchman, and later to night yard master at Ironville, Ohio. One year later he was transferred to Massillon as general yard master of the Massillon yards, which position he held for eighteen months, when he was made assistant train master and yard master. He was next honored by being given three jobs at once, namely, train master, road master and wreck master, which positions he filled so satisfactorily that he was transferred to Canton as superintendent of the Cleveland division of that road. Later he was transferred to the superintendency of the Toledo division, which position he held for two years, when he returned to Canton as general superintendent of the road.

One year later Mr. Van Dusen resigned from the railroad service and, returning to Toledo, became associated with the J. C. Carland Company, general railroad contractors, and he acted as general manager for two years, during which period he built the Ohio electric railroad from Leipsic into Toledo. He then went to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, where he was engaged in general railroad contracting for three years, after which he came back to Toledo and bought an interest in an automobile business on Madison avenue, under the name of the Abbott-Detroit Sales Company. Six months later he sold his interest in that concern and started the Auto Repair & Machine Company, at the corner of Washington and Summit streets, in which business he was engaged successfully for fifteen years. During that time he also started the Toledo Standard Commutator Company, on Smead avenue, of which he was president, and during the two and a half years in which he was identified with that business he got out a number of patents, on which its present business is based. He sold his interest in the commutator business but continued in the Auto Repair & Machine Company. In 1926 he bought the property which he now occupies at 904 Lafayette street, rebuilt the structure already there, making additions and incorporating the business under the name of the Van Dusen Auto Repair & Machine Company, of which he is president, general manager and treasurer. The company does a general repair business, specializing in heavy truck work and equipment. He has devoted himself tirelessly to

building up his present business, in which he is realizing a splendid success, and is regarded as a man of sound and reliable judgment and a capable executive.

On November 21, 1890, Mr. Van Dusen was united in marriage to Miss Mary Shea, who was born and reared in Toledo and is a daughter of the late William Shea. She was educated in the parochial schools of this city and is a member of the Roman Catholic church. Mr. and Mrs. Van Dusen are the parents of two children: Charles A., Jr., now vice president of the Van Dusen Auto Repair & Machine Company; he married Hazel McDonough of Toledo, and they have five children, Robert, Joanne, Thomas, William and Charles. Dorothy is the wife of Arthur Volk, of Toledo, and they have a son, Richard.

Mr. Van Dusen is a republican in his political views. He was reared in the faith of the Methodist Episcopal church; is a member of the Masonic fraternity, the Woodmen of the World, the Home Circle, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Chamber of Commerce. At one time he was a member of the Ohio National Guard and during the World war he gave active support to the various Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives. He owns one of the finest camp cars in this section of the country, it having been converted from a Marmon passenger car. He is a man of high business ideals, has shown himself a good citizen and is constant and sincere in his social relations—in short, he is a well rounded man and is worthy of the success which has crowned his efforts.

FRANK S. BAKER

Frank S. Baker is one of Fremont's leading merchants and enjoys a wide reputation as an able and progressive business man. He is now manager of the F. W. Uhlman Store. He was born in Ontario, Canada, in 1889, and received his early education in the public schools, graduating from high school at North Baltimore, Ohio. He worked for a while in various shoe and clothing stores and in 1916 became associated with Fred Uhlman, of Bowling Green, Wood county, Ohio. In February, 1927, they bought out the Bach Clothing

Company, in Fremont, and Mr. Uhlman now has a large and well stocked store here, which is under the personal management of Mr. Baker. They also have a large shoe store in Tiffin. Mr. Baker is active and enterprising in his business methods, courtesy, acommodation and fair dealing being the foundation stones on which his success has been based, and he makes friends of all who deal with him.

In 1916 Mr. Baker was united in marriage to Miss Florence Partee, of Defiance, Ohio, and they are the parents of a son, Frank S., Jr., born in 1923. Mrs. Baker is a member of St. Ann's church and is prominent in the social circles of Fremont.

Mr. Baker is a strong republican in his political views and is actively interested in the civic affairs of his community. He is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Rotary Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He enjoys a wide acquaintance, and all who know him hold him in high regard for his business ability and sterling character.

ARTHUR S. LEYBOURN

Reared amid rural surroundings, Arthur S. Leybourn early acquired habits of industry, perseverance and thrift which have constituted the basis of his success in later life. He is one of the officers of the Toledo Radio Company and an enterprising business man of broad experience. He was born in Washington township, Lucas county, Ohio, January 22, 1883, a son of William and Sarah (Wilson) Leybourn, and represents one of the old families of this part of the state. The father was born July 19, 1824, in Amherstburg, Ontario, Canada, and was but a year old when his parents, John and Jane (Burton) Leybourn, made the trip across Lake Erie in a rowboat, an undertaking fraught with great hazards. They decided to cast in their lot with the pioneers of Lucas county and John Leybourn purchased land in Washington township, where he spent the remainder of his life, developing a highly productive farm. He took out the first citizenship papers issued in Lucas county and was loyal and devoted to the country of his adoption. William Leybourn was reared on the

homestead and also chose the career of an agriculturist, becoming one of the prosperous dairy farmers of Washington township. During the Civil war he enlisted for a term of one hundred days and served in Company I, which was attached to the One Hundred and Thirtieth Regiment of Ohio Volunteer Infantry. In politics he was a strong republican, and his life was governed by the teachings of the Methodist Episcopal church. He attained the venerable age of eighty-four years, passing away in January, 1909. He was of English descent, and his wife was of Scotch and Irish lineage. She was born in Bloomington, Iowa, May 8, 1845, and was a daughter of William and Rebecca (Shearer) Wilson, who migrated to that state from Pennsylvania. Later they settled at Ottawa Lake, Michigan, and it was there that their daughter Sarah met William Leybourn, to whom she was later married. They were the parents of four children: Hessie, William C., Charles W. and Arthur S.

The last named was a pupil in the country schools of Washington township and completed his studies in the Central high school of Toledo. He remained at home until he reached the age of twenty-two years, aiding his father in the cultivation and improvement of the farm, and then became a clerk for a Toledo firm. He started at a salary of fifty dollars per month and was engaged in office work for about six years. During that time he increased his earning capacity and when he had accumulated sufficient capital embarked in the live-stock commission business. Mr. Leybourn prospered in the venture and in 1917 entered a new field of activity, becoming a dealer in talking machines. He was thus engaged until 1924, when the Toledo Radio Company was organized and incorporated, and he has since been a member of the corporation, whose success he has furthered by close application and systematic work. The present officers of the corporation are: Charles H. Womeldorff, president; J. S. Ball, vice president; and Arthur S. Leybourn, secretary and treasurer. They are jobbers for the Sparton Radio Corporation of Jackson and carry a complete line of radio supplies. The business has grown rapidly since its inception and theirs is now one of the largest firms of the kind in the city. In 1929 the corporation organized as a subsidiary the Columbus Radio Company,

at Columbus, Ohio, to distribute the Sparton radio in that district.

Mr. Leybourn was married December 14, 1904, in West Toledo to Miss Bessie Skinner, a native of Cleveland, Ohio, and a daughter of Charles T. and Alice (Wood) Skinner. Her father was born in England and settled in Cuyahoga county, Ohio, in pioneer times. Mr. and Mrs. Leybourn have three children: Leslie C., who was born April 4, 1907; Charles W., born June 25, 1909; and Alice June, born June 28, 1912.

The residence of the family is at No. 534 Walden avenue and Mr. Leybourn's office is located at No. 136 Huron street. His Masonic affiliations are with Collingwood Lodge, No. 457, F. & A. M., of which he is a past master; Collingwood Chapter, No. 196, R. A. M.; and Grafton M. Acklin Council, No. 127, R. & S. M. Mrs. Laybourn belongs to the Eastern Star and is associate conductress of Yondota Chapter. Mr. and Mrs. Leybourn are consistent members of the East Side Presbyterian church, and in politics he is a republican. He works for the success of the party but has never been an office seeker. For diversion he turns to bowling and is also an enthusiastic fisherman. Mr. Leybourn is a man of broad and liberal views, quiet and unassuming in manner, but possesses many sterling traits of character, as his fellow citizens attest.

LEVI WESLEY GIBSON

With post-graduate experience in civic affairs, Levi Wesley Gibson possesses exceptional qualifications for the office of mayor and has represented Fostoria in this capacity for four years. He is also an enterprising business man of broad experience and proven ability. He was born at West Independence, Big Lick township, Hancock county, Ohio, August 30, 1870, a son of John and Susan (Bolander) Gibson, and following the completion of his high school course he matriculated in Findlay College, which he attended for three years. For a decade he taught school in the district near his home, imparting his knowledge with clearness and readiness to his

pupils and proving a capable educator. In 1902 he came to Fostoria and was employed in the mercantile establishment of Peter Brothers until 1908. He then organized the Peter Clothing Company, of which he became secretary and treasurer in 1908, and thus served for eight years, working earnestly and effectively to develop the business. From 1916 until 1920 he was assistant purchasing agent for the Allen Motor Company and since 1921 has been associated with the mercantile firm of McDonel Brothers, who have materially benefited by his business sagacity and systematic, well directed efforts.

In 1892 Mr. Gibson was married in West Independence to Miss Edna Seever, who graciously presides over their attractive home. Mr. Gibson is a stanch adherent of the republican party and entered the arena of public affairs in 1910, when he was chosen one of the councilmen of Fostoria. He acted in that capacity for four years and was safety director from 1914 to 1916. In 1918 he was made president of the common council and served for two years. He was the popular choice for mayor in November, 1925, and the record which he made during the first term won for him reelection in 1927. Mayor Gibson has taken a determined stand for the rigid enforcement of law and order and his administration has been highly satisfactory, for the good of the city is his first concern. Along fraternal lines he is connected with the Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He has never used politics for personal ends, manifesting that unselfish spirit and eagerness to advance civic development which are embodied in the truest and highest ideals of public service, and his record is an unblemished one.

JAMES MONTGOMERY ACKLIN

James Montgomery Acklin, president of the Acklin Stamping Company, at 1925 Nebraska avenue, Toledo, is a leading figure in the commercial and industrial circles of the city and has met with a very flattering measure of success. He was born in Toledo on the 27th of April, 1884, and is a

son of Grafton Molen and Jessie F. (Ridenour) Acklin, both of whom are deceased, the father dying December 17, 1926, and the mother August 27, 1927. Further reference is made to the parents in a separate sketch on other pages of this work. The paternal grandfather, John S. Acklin, was born August 29, 1821, in Maysville, Kentucky, and September 4, 1850, he was married to Martha Ann Smith. The great-grandfather, David Acklin, who was born in Campbell county, Kentucky, in 1792, married Martha Maxwell. The maternal grandfather, Dr. William Tarleton Ridenour, of Toledo, was a major in the Union army during the Civil war. He married Mary Jane Bricker.

James Montgomery Acklin received his early education in the public schools of Toledo, after which he entered the engineering department of Cornell University, from which he was graduated in 1906. Returning home, he went to work for the Toledo Machine & Tool Company, with which he was connected for five years. In 1911 he joined his father and two brothers, Donald R. and William Collord, in organizing the Acklin Stamping Company, of which the father was president up to the time of his death, since which time James M. has been president, with Donald R. as vice president and William C. as secretary and treasurer. This concern has enjoyed a steady and substantial growth during the years of its existence and is now numbered among the prosperous and substantial industrial establishments of Toledo.

James M. Acklin has been married twice, first, on October 29, 1908, in Detroit, Michigan, to Miss Catherine Armstrong, of that city, whose father was a member of the firm of Armstrong & Graham Company, of Detroit, at one time the largest harness and leather house in this part of the country. To this union was born a son, James M., Jr., on August 22, 1912. The mother died January 28, 1916, and on June 11, 1921, Mr. Acklin was united in marriage to Miss Beatrice Evans, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, a daughter of Howard Elijah and Minnie (Retting) Evans, the former of whom was for many years extensively engaged in the lumber business in Michigan but is now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Acklin are the parents of two children, Bernice, born March 20, 1922;

and Evan Collord, born on April 14, 1924. The family residence is at 2419 Robinwood avenue.

Mr. Acklin is a member of Rubicon Lodge, No. 237, F. & A. M.; Toledo Chapter, R. A. M.; the Toledo Club, the Toledo Tennis Club and other social and civic organizations. He is a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers. Mrs. Acklin is a member of the Toledo Women's Club. The family attend the Protestant Episcopal church. Mr. Acklin has taken a commendable interest in matters affecting the welfare and progress of his city, is regarded as one of its progressive and public-spirited men, and has worthily won the high place which he holds in business and civic circles of Toledo.

DWIGHT CHARLES EATON

Energetic and self-reliant, Dwight C. Eaton earned the funds necessary for his schooling and has always given his best efforts to every task that he has undertaken, thus advancing steadily until he has become a forceful figure in business circles of Toledo. He represents one of the old families of the Buckeye state and is descended from Revolutionary stock. He was born in Bowling Green, Wood county, Ohio, May 5, 1879, a son of Samuel Maloney and Hannah Viola (Fullerton) Eaton. His grandfather, John Eaton, was born in Moon township, Allegheny county, Pennsylvania, on the 25th of May, 1797, and endured the many hardships of the early settlers of that state. The store goods required by the family were purchased in Philadelphia and brought home on wagons or pack mules, the distance being about three hundred miles over the mountains. When a youth he enjoyed the privilege of riding on the Clermont, the first steamboat built in the United States. In 1815 he volunteered for service in the regular army and aided in subduing the Indians. In 1816 he migrated to Ohio and was one of the earliest residents of Uniontown, which is now Ashland, the county seat of Ashland county. He journeyed back to Pennsylvania soon afterward and there remained until 1821, when he returned to Ohio. Mr. Eaton purchased land in Clearcreek township,

Ashland county, where there were only about fifty-one inhabitants, of whom thirty-five were whigs. John Quincy Adams was then serving as president. Savannah was then called Haneytown, deriving its name from an old Methodist minister who lived there and was the first representative of Richland county in the Ohio legislature. Mr. Eaton cleared his land and transformed it into a valuable farm. Casting his first presidential ballot for Andrew Jackson, he never wavered in his allegiance to the party and at one time was the oldest democrat living in Clearcreek township, Ashland county. In many respects he was a remarkable man and toward the close of his long and useful career wrote a clear and interesting account of his life which was published in the Bowling Green Gazette in the '80s.

His wife, Elizabeth (McKinzey) Eaton, was born in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, August 27, 1801, and was a daughter of James and Mary (Campbell) McKinzey, who were married in that county in 1800. Her father enlisted in the navy at L'Orient, France, in 1779, becoming a seaman on the Bonhomme Richard under Captain John Paul Jones, and lost a leg in the battle with the Serapis, on which he was afterward a cook. He returned to America on the Ariel and was cook for a year on the United States frigate Trumbull, commanded by Captain Nichols. Mr. McKinzey was a prisoner for five months in New York and returned to Philadelphia after he was exchanged. He was next a cook on the Duc de Lauzun, a United States ship, on which he served until the close of the war, and was pensioned April 3, 1818.

Samuel Maloney Eaton, the only child of John and Elizabeth (McKinzey) Eaton, was born in Ashland, Ohio, July 28, 1845, and there received his early education, removing to Bowling Green about 1857. Later he located in West Toledo and here spent the remainder of his life, engaging in engineering work for many years. He was a man of temperate habits and a strong advocate of prohibition. His political support was given to the democratic party, and his life was governed by the teachings of the United Presbyterian church. He was married December 25, 1873, in Bowling Green, Ohio, to Miss Hannah Viola Fullerton, who was born in Sherman, New York, April 9, 1856, a daughter of John and Elizabeth

J. (Van Gilder) Fullerton. The father was born in 1835 and was also a native of Sherman, of which his father, Robert Fullerton, was an early settler. He was of English lineage, and the Van Gilders were of Dutch origin. Eli Van Gilder, the father of Mrs. Fullerton, was a resident of Auburn, New York, and a member of one of the oldest families of that state. Samuel M. Eaton attained the venerable age of eighty-two years, passing away September 15, 1927, and his widow is now living in Alcona county, Michigan.

They were the parents of twelve children, of whom seven survive. The eldest, Harriet Lucretia, was born March 20, 1875, and is the wife of H. L. Bevier, of Charlotte, Michigan. John Henry, born July 11, 1877, married Miss Sadie Henson, and they now make their home in Duluth, Minnesota. Dwight Charles was the third in order of birth. George S., born August 20, 1882, married Miss Theresa Doblinger and they reside in Battle Creek, Michigan. Alvin R. was born June 27, 1884, and was married June 10, 1919, in Blessing, New York, to Miss Katherine O. Hasel, by whom he has two sons, Alvin Ralph, Jr., and Richard Edwin. The other children of Samuel M. Eaton are: Harry M., who was born July 1, 1886; and Ray Robert, born June 24, 1888.

Dwight C. Eaton was reared in Bowling Green and was graduated from high school in 1899. He first chose the career of an educator and taught school for nine years in Wood county, Ohio. On the expiration of that period he located in Duluth, Minnesota, and entered the real estate field. There he remained for fourteen years, prospering in his undertakings, and then went to Los Angeles, California, where he engaged in the same line of business for four years. After leaving that city he returned to Ohio and established his home in Toledo. For five years he was finance director for the Banner Lumber & Building Company and is now local correspondent for the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company. He has charge of the real estate, mortgage and loan department and in the discharge of his important duties brings to bear broad experience and keen sagacity, ably safeguarding the interests of the corporation.

Mr. Eaton was married April 3, 1924, in Bowling Green to Mrs. Irene May (Feltman) Burner, a widow, whose par-

ents were Frank Conrad and Nettie (Hinkley) Feltman. Mrs. Eaton was born in Toledo and from 1914 until 1924 was a bacteriologist, during that time being connected with the Toledo Hospital, the Hospital for Women and Children and the local board of health. By his first marriage Mr. Eaton became the father of a son and two daughters: Robert Bruce, who was born in Duluth, Minnesota, October 29, 1910, and is now serving in the United States navy, being one of the Coast Guards at Boston, Massachusetts; Frances Jean, born in Duluth, March 20, 1909; and Marion Robena, born December 15, 1918, also in Duluth. By his second union Mr. Eaton has a daughter, Eleanor Yvonne, who was born in Toledo, November 1, 1926.

The residence of the family is at No. 1431 Lincoln avenue and Mr. Eaton's office is located at No. 206 Nicholas building. During the World war he was one of the directors of the Liberty Loan drive in Duluth, Minnesota, and while engaged in business in that city was elected secretary of its real estate board. At Waterville, Ohio, he joined Wakeman Lodge, No. 522, F. & A. M., and also belongs to the Ohio Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, having membership in Anthony Wayne Chapter. He is affiliated with the United Brethren church and follows an independent course in politics, placing the qualifications of a candidate before party ties. Mr. Eaton is a hunter of big game and a keen sportsman. His clearly defined plans and well developed powers have carried him into important relations, and his sincerity, integrity and breadth of mind have drawn to him a wide circle of steadfast friends.

LOUIS B. BUSSE

Louis B. Busse, vice president and general manager of the Franklin Printing and Engraving Company, is one of Toledo's representative business men. He was born in this city on the 13th of August, 1880, a son of James and Anna J. (Wehrman) Busse, natives of Cincinnati, Ohio. In that city James Busse became connected with the R. G. Dun Company and afterward established their agency in Toledo. Both

he and his wife are deceased and are survived by three children: Louis B., Marie K. and Irene C.

Louis B. Busse was graduated from high school in 1897 and soon afterward entered on his business career as an employe of the Piper Oil & Gas Company, with which he spent four years. He remained with its successor, the Toledo Starch Company, for a similar length of time, and in 1901 accepted a position in the kodak department of the Franklin Printing and Engraving Company. Capable and energetic, he progressed through the various branches of the business and following the death of Charles Bellman, in 1923, was made vice president and manager of the corporation. Mr. Busse's connection of almost thirty years with that business has brought him a wide acquaintance in commercial circles and a position of prominence among Toledo's strong and able business men whose activities have had no little to do with the development of business projects that have become leaders in their respective lines.

On the 14th of April, 1907, Mr. Busse was united in marriage to Miss Grace E. Carter, of Toledo, and both are prominent in the social life of the city. Mr. Busse is a Catholic in religious faith. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, the Toledo Yacht Club, and the Heather Downs Country Club. He has been loyal to every trust reposed in him and faithful to every duty, and his good qualities are well known to Toledo's citizens, who speak of him in terms of high regard. His residence is at 323 West Woodruff avenue.

FRANKLIN J. MILLER

Franklin J. Miller, president of Tiffin Business University, Tiffin, Ohio, is widely and favorably known as a commercial educator, having been engaged in that field of educational work for the past quarter of a century. He is also associated officially with some of the leading commercial enterprises of the city of Tiffin.

He was born in Garrett, Indiana, January 24, 1880, the son of Isaac and Julia (Wickham) Miller. Soon after his

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birth his parents removed to Putnam County, Ohio, where he received his early education in the public schools. He graduated from Crawfis College in 1900, and the following fall began teaching in the public schools of Blanchard township. He pursued a normal training at Tri-State College, Angola, Indiana, and also completed a course in law, and received the LL. B. degree from the American Law University. He later graduated from Lima Business College and was elected principal of the Ottawa Commercial College, which position he held until 1912, when he was elected principal of the commercial department of Heidelberg University, Tiffin, Ohio. This position he retained until 1918, during which year he organized and obtained the charter for Tiffin Business University. He assumed the presidency of this institution, which position he still retains.

The institution of which he is president has made consistent and marked progress during the past decade until today it numbers over two hundred students in attendance, maintaining as high matriculation requirements as any college or university in Ohio. The school has been approved by the state department of education of Ohio, being officially recognized as an accredited commercial school, conferring at present two degrees based on four years' work; the B. S. in Education on normal graduates, and the B. S. in Commerce on graduates from the four year course in commerce and finance.

Mr. Miller is secretary-treasurer of the Ohio Commercial Teachers' Association, and is secretary of The Ohio Business Schools Association, the latter of which he was instrumental in organizing. He is associated industrially with a number of corporations. At present he is director of The Columbus Mutual Life Insurance Company, with main offices at Columbus, Ohio, and is president of The Tiffin Home Building Company. He organized and incorporated The Hunter Paint & Wall Paper Company, and served as its first president.

He is active in Sunday school and church work, serving for the past several years as a member of the executive committee of the Ohio Sunday School Association. He has been active for a number of years in local boy scout work, a mem-

ber of the Y. M. C. A., and a member of the board of reference of the Ohio Children's Home Society. Denominationally he is a Methodist, and politically a republican, and is serving at present as treasurer of the Seneca county republican executive committee. Fraternally, he is a member of the Masonic bodies, having advanced to the thirty-second degree in that order. He also belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and to the Jr. Order of the United American Mechanics.

He was married June 16, 1904, to Miss Belvia E. Draper of Leipsic, Ohio. He and Mrs. Miller are the foster parents of two adopted children, brother and sister, Franklin J. Miller, Jr., and Margaret Jane Miller.

Mr. Miller is now and has been recognized as a broad-gauged man of well balanced capacities, and a useful and influential citizen.

SAMUEL ROBERT CASE

Few men have been more prominently connected with monetary affairs of Bowling Green than Samuel Robert Case, and the present stability of the banking institutions of the community is directly attributable to the aggregate labors of able, experienced financiers of his type. He was born December 20, 1868, on the old Hixson homestead, on the present courthouse square in Bowling Green, and is a member of one of the pioneer families of the state. His father, Samuel Case, was born in Wayne county, Ohio, March 25, 1832, and became one of the leading citizens of Bowling Green, where he spent the remainder of his life. In 1874 he was elected auditor of Wood county and served until 1881, a period of seven years, establishing an enviable record as a public official. He was an earnest, helpful member of the Methodist Episcopal church and lent the weight of his support to all worthy public projects. Death summoned him on the 4th of April, 1904, when he was seventy-two years of age, and his wife, Mary E. (McMahan) Case, passed away May 21, 1917. Of the daughters born to them, two are living: Mrs. Lura Callin; and Rose, who is the wife of the Rev. Elmer W. McCam-

mon, a Methodist minister. Their son, Myron L. Case, was a prominent banker and died December 28, 1923.

Samuel R. Case, the suriviving son, was graduated from the Bowling Green high school with the class of 1887 and has devoted the greater part of his life to financial affairs. In 1904 he entered the Wood County Savings Bank in the capacity of bookkeeper and soon afterward was promoted to the position of assistant cashier. Later he became vice president of the institution and thus served for eleven years. On November 1, 1927, he was elected president of the Commercial Bank & Savings Company of Bowling Green and during his tenure of office the institution has grown steadily in strength and usefulness. He has a clear understanding of the complex details of modern finance and this knowledge is supplemented by keen sagacity and the requisite administrative power. In addition to his interests in Bowling Green, he is a director of the Munn Banking Company of Portage, Ohio.

Mr. Case was married March 7, 1893, to Miss Kate L. Whitehead, a daughter of Dr. John Henry Whitehead, one of Wood county's foremost physicians, who was born July 20, 1841, and was one of the six children of John and Eunice (Pruden) Whitehead, natives of Hoboken, New Jersey. After their marriage they migrated to Ohio and settled on a farm in Plain township, Wood county, where the mother passed away. Subsequently John Whitehead married a Mrs. Nearing and removed to Tontogany, where he spent the remainder of his life.

Dr. Whitehead attended the public schools of Bowling Green and at the age of seventeen became an educator, teaching in rural schools of that locality. When a young man of nineteen he enlisted at Perrysburg, joining Company H, Sixty-seventh Ohio Infantry, and served faithfully for four years. He entered the army as a private and rose to the rank of first lieutenant. During the early part of the war he saw much hard fighting and was twice wounded. The first injury was a slight one but the second was more serious for he was shot through the leg and incapacitated for further field service. Owing to the lack of knowledge in Civil war times of aseptic processes and many other devices of modern surgery, the wound gangrenated and for a long time he was confined

in a hospital. Being an expert and rapid penman, he found employment part of the time as a clerical worker for the colonel of his regiment. Dr. Whitehead never sought compensation from the federal government for his military services but his friend, Dr. Peck of Perrysville, of his own volition secured a pension for this gallant officer and it was paid him regularly.

After the war Dr. Whitehead returned to Perrysburg and resumed teaching. About 1869 he began the study of medicine under Dr. John Osborn and later completed a course in the Cleveland Medical College. For a few years he was a country doctor, drawing his patients from the district west of Portage, and then located in Bowling Green. Here he followed his profession successfully for many years, establishing a large practice in the town and surrounding country. Efficient, sympathetic and kind-hearted, he was a fine type of the old-time family physician and his ministrations were beneficially resultant.

In 1867 Dr. Whitehead married Miss Susie Osborn, a native of Tuscarawas county, Ohio, and a daughter of Dr. John and Julia (Buchtel) Osborn. Her mother was closely related to John R. Buchtel, the well known educator, who founded the institution at Akron which long bore his name and is now the Akron Municipal University. Dr. Osborn was born in Harpers Ferry, Virginia, and his wife was a native of Pennsylvania. They were married in the Keystone state and soon afterward came to Ohio. Dr. Osborn opened an office at Prairie Depot, Wood county, where he also conducted a drug store, and later he removed to a farm west of Portage. He was notably successful in checking the progress of cancerous growths and also in the treatment of fevers and pneumonia. Dr. Osborn was called to his final rest in 1875 and his widow passed away about ten years later. Their family numbered six children, five daughters and a son. To Dr. and Mrs. Whitehead were born two children: John Stanley, who died in boyhood; and Kate L. The Doctor erected a modern ten-room home at No. 304 South Church street in Bowling Green and occupied that residence until his death on the 6th of August, 1910, when he was sixty-nine years of age. He was a member of the County, State and American Homeo-

pathic Medical Societies and was long active in the affairs of Wiley Post of the Grand Army of the Republic. In religious faith he was a Presbyterian and his political support was given to the republican party. Dr. Whitehead stood high in his profession and his many admirable traits of character made him greatly beloved.

Mr. and Mrs. Case are the parents of two sons. Robert Whitehead, the elder, completed a course in the Bowling Green high school in 1915 and the Ohio Wesleyan University in 1919. In 1924 he was graduated from the University of Michigan and is now a chemical engineer. He married Miss Kathryn Prieur, by whom he has a son. John Samuel, the second son of Samuel R. Case, was graduated from the Bowling Green high school in 1923 and won the degree of Electrical Engineer from the University of Michigan in 1928.

Samuel R. Case belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is treasurer of The Lakeside Association, the noted Methodist resort on Lake Erie. He is affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal church and shapes his conduct by its teachings. Mr. Case is a man of proven integrity and ability, who is at his best in solving the intricate problems of finance, and his worth is thoroughly appreciated by Bowling Green's citizens, who speak of him in terms of high regard.

ROBERT J. LAW

Robert J. Law has been actively engaged in business in Toledo for the past thirty-seven years and is today conducting a prosperous real estate business, with his offices at 130 Security building. He was born in Portage county, Wisconsin on the 2d of November, 1857, and is a son of Robert and Elvira (Britt) Law. His paternal grandfather, James Law, was born in Todmorden, England, and died in Scarboro, Canada. He was a wheelwright by trade and in 1810 came to the United States, landing at Philadelphia, from which city he walked to his destination in Canada. On account of his having been a manufacturer, the English government would not permit him to leave the country, so he put out to sea in a small boat and was picked up by a ship bound for America. He

established a woolen factory at Niagara Falls, New York, which was was run by water power, it being located where now stands the Cataract house. He erected his own factory building and also made the machinery which he installed in it. He was a mechanical genius and made violins and other instruments. He married Miss Mary Shackleton, who was born in England and died in Scarboro, Canada.

Their son, Robert Law, was born on Goat Island, Niagara Falls, New York, February 25, 1824, and died in Toledo, Ohio, in 1913. In early life he was a lumberman and on coming to Toledo in 1870, he started a large shingle mill and lumberyard at the foot of Chestnut street. This he conducted until the Pennsylvania Railroad bought him out in 1872, when he became a street contractor, which line of business he followed successfully until his retirement in 1890. He was of an inventive turn of mind and devised a number of useful things. He was reared in the faith of the Protestant Episcopal church and sang in a choir in Canada of which his mother was the choir leader. He was a republican in politics and was a man of fine public spirit. In Rome, New York, he married Elvira Britt, who was born at Sherburne, Chenango county, New York, and died in Toledo, Ohio, in 1913. She was a daughter of William and Lucy (Towne) Britt, the former of whom was a native of New York and died at Medina, Orleans county, that state. He was a printer by trade and was a member of the Protestant Episcopal church. His father was a Revolutionary soldier. His wife was also a native of New York and died at Rome, Oneida county, that state.

Robert J. Law received his education in the public schools of Toledo, Ohio, and later learned the brick-mason's trade. In 1884 he went to Lexington, Kentucky, where he superintended the erection of the waterworks buildings. In 1885 he embarked in brick manufacturing in Lexington, and was engaged in the construction of brick-paved streets until 1891. In that year he returned to Toledo and engaged in the brick manufacturing business on the east side. Three years later his plant was destroyed by fire, after which he turned his attention to the real estate business, in which he has been engaged to the present time. He owns the Burnley-Wood

subdivision and has been active and successful in the furthering of several real estate projects which have contributed to the growth and development of this city. Mr. Law's knowledge of real estate values in Toledo and vicinity has caused him to be recognized as an authority and he is frequently called upon to appraise real estate.

In August, 1876, in Toledo, Mr. Law was united in marriage to Miss Kate W. Ganson, who was born in Brattleboro, Vermont, January 2, 1859, a daughter of Vernum and Susan Eastman (Rix) Ganson, of Toledo, both of whom are deceased. Mrs. Law died in Toledo, March 31, 1923, leaving three children, namely: Leila M., now Mrs. Edward L. Clapp, of Toledo; Robert V., of Indianapolis, Indiana, and Susan E., now Mrs. Herbert D. Kelly, of Santa Monica, California.

Mrs. Law was extremely active in the civic affairs of Toledo, having served for fifteen years as chairman of the board of the Women's and Children's Hospital and she was credited with having been the main instigator in the erection of the present hospital. She was a member of the Toledo Women's Club; was closely identified with the work of the Red Cross Society and was effective in her support and advocacy of all civic improvements. Mr. Law is a strong republican in his political views, while his religious faith is that of the Unitarian church. He has been for the past twenty years a trustee of the Women's and Children's Hospital, one of the most highly appreciated benevolent institutions of this city. He is a man of forceful personality and sterling qualities and all who know him hold him in the highest esteem.

ALTON A. WEIGEL

Alton A. Weigel is a partner in the firm of Arnold & Weigel, one of the largest and most important contracting and engineering concerns in northwestern Ohio. They have a national reputation as experts in their line, gained through the successful record they have made in specializing in the designing and erection of lime calcining and hydrating plants, while their sound business methods have gained them

a prominent place in industrial circles. The partners in this firm are Valentine Arnold and Alton A. Weigel Born in Tiffin, Seneca county, Ohio, April 1, 1893, Mr. Weigel is a son of Andrew and Catherine (Myers) Weigel, the former a cabinetmaker by trade, still living in Tiffin.

Alton A. Weigel attended the grade and high schools of his home city, after which he studied in Lane Technical Institute in Chicago and the Chicago Art Institute, in which he gave special attention to architecture and engineering. Returning to Tiffin, he worked for the Webster Manufacturing Company from 1909 to 1913, after which he spent three years, 1913 to 1916, with the Webster Engineering Company in Chicago. In the latter year he went back to Tiffin and for two years was with the Schaffer Engineering and Equipment Company. He then enlisted in the Motor Transport Corps of the United States Engineers, with which he served for nine months, with the rank of sergeant major, in the task of laying out camps, drawing French road maps, etc., and in 1919 was honorably discharged.

In the fall of that year he came to Woodville, capitalizing on the fact that Woodville was the "Lime Center of the World," and organized the firm of Arnold & Weigel, contractors and engineers. This has been a strong and successful combination, Mr. Weigel looking after the engineering, designing, sales and office departments of the business, while Mr. Arnold has charge of construction. They have done a large amount of work in all sections of this country, including many large manufacturing plants in this part of the state and elsewhere, and are now erecting a new process plant at Houston, Texas, for the manufacture of chemical lime from gulf oyster shells. They maintain foreign representatives in England, France, Australia and Mexico and have a well established reputation for dependability in the execution of every contract into which they enter. Mr. Weigel not only gives close attention to this business, but is also president and a director of the Croghan Creamery Company, of Fremont, owners of a very flourishing plant and one of the best equipped in the state.

Mr. Weigel is a strong democrat in his political views and has been democratic central committeeman during the last

four years. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, No. 608, of Tiffin, Ohio; the Exchange Club of Woodville, in which he has charge of publicity; the Lincoln Club of Tiffin, and Clarence L. Nieman Post, No. 455, American Legion, of Woodville. He is a member of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church of Tiffin and gives his support to all worthy causes. Mr. Weigel has shown much strength and originality as a designer, a talent which he developed under the best instructors in Chicago, including the late Luther Bradley of the Chicago Daily News. During that time also he did much cartooning and illustrating for magazines and newspapers. He is a man of excellent personal qualities, which have gained for him a large circle of friends, while in business circles he enjoys an enviable reputation as a reliable and trustworthy man, well worthy of the confidence and respect accorded him.

CHARLES HENRY HUBACH

Charles H. Hubach, who is a fine type of the modern business man and successfully controls the operations of one of Tiffin's important productive industries, was born in this city May 28, 1878, a son of Henry and Emma (Reyfuss) Hubach, natives of Germany. The father was born January 27, 1843, and the mother in 1846. Henry Hubach came to the United States in 1866 and located in Philadelphia Pennsylvania, where he served an apprenticeship in a brewery, and afterward engaged in that line of work in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and in Cincinnati, Ohio. He was married in the last named city and afterward established his home in Fort Wayne, Indiana, where he operated a brewery for a time. In 1877 he came to Tiffin and acquired the Joseph Wagner property. Here he successfully engaged in the brewing business for many years under his own name and in 1903 erected a large modern plant. He remained at the head of the industry until his death on June 16, 1915, and his wife passed away in 1900. They were the parents of six children: Emma Diemer, William G., Alma Graf, Charles H., Selma and Alice.

Charles H. Hubach attended the public schools and also had the benefit of a commercial course in Heidelberg College.

At an early age he entered his father's plant and gradually advanced through the various departments, mastering the technicalities of the brewing industry. After the passage of the Volstead act the business was discontinued and the plant was equipped for the manufacture of ice cream, butter and cheese. It is located on Madison street and is operated with marked efficiency. The output being of high grade, finds a ready market. The business is conducted under the style of the Hubach Products Company, of which Charles H. Hubach is the president, and its progress has resulted from his carefully matured plans, his executive ability and high standards of service.

On the 25th of September, 1906, Mr. Hubach was united in marriage to Miss Elleta Zuck, daughter of Oscar and Edith (Saffel) Zuck, of Sycamore, Ohio, the father now deceased. The attractive home of Mr. and Mrs. Hubach has long been a center of the social life of the city. Mr. Hubach is a Knight Templar Mason and a Shriner, has taken the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite and is a member of DeMolay Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is also identified with the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Mohawk Country Club, the Lincoln Club and the Exchange Club. While he has never aspired to public office, he is deeply interested in everything that touches the welfare of Tiffin and heartily cooperates in all projects for its growth and betterment. His life has been well spent and he enjoys to the fullest extent the respect and confidence of his fellow citizens.

RICHARD JOHN WALL

Varied and important interests claim the attention and profit by the keen sagacity of Richard John Wall, who is one of Toledo's most enterprising and capable young business men and an outstanding figure in local transportation circles. He was born January 24, 1897, in this city, and represents one of its old and honored families. His father, Christopher Franklin Wall, was born in Toledo on Christmas day of

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1856, a son of Edward and Alice (Ryan) Wall, who were natives of Dublin, Ireland, and left that country in their youth. On emigrating to the United States they settled in Virginia and came to Toledo early in the nineteenth century. Edward Wall was one of the old-time carriage builders of Toledo, carrying on that business in a plant at the corner of Summit and Walnut streets. He was a Union soldier during the Civil war and served in a company which was organized in Lucas county. His son Michael was a member of this same company, as was also his brother, Valentine Wall, an associate in the carriage building enterprise.

Christopher F. Wall received a limited education, as his father met with financial reverses when he was eleven years of age, and when fifteen the boy laid aside his textbooks that he might help his brother Thomas, who was preparing for West Point, as well as to give his sister, now Mrs. Catherine (Wall) Chapman, a liberal education in the arts and science. He learned the machinist's trade, which he followed for four years. Afterward he entered the employ of the American District Telegraph Company, starting as a clerk, and rose to the position of manager. During that period he was a member of the fire department and served in succession as captain, assistant chief and chief, occupying the last named office until August, 1900, when he tendered his resignation. For about four years he was in charge of the insurance department of the American Linseed Company at a large salary and subsequently purchased the Boody House, which he conducted for five years. During all this period he was president and general manager of the Toledo Transfer Company, which prospered under his able management. Mr. Wall greatly enjoyed outdoor sports and was secretary and treasurer of the Toledo Baseball Club, whose interests he materially promoted. He was a director of public safety, a member of the mayor's cabinet, during the World war, an obligation imposed upon him by his constituents, and expressed his affection for his city and country by effective efforts in their behalf. In political affairs he was a stanch supporter of the republican party, taking a keen and helpful interest in its success. Mr. Wall was a familiar figure in public affairs and for years a leading factor in the civic develop-

ment of Toledo. Equally prominent was his long connection with public service and public interests, for he was a close student of all activities and projects which had to do with the city's welfare and advancement. He was a member of the Toledo Club, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Knights of Pythias, a past exalted ruler of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, a thirty-second degree Mason and a member of the Mystic Shrine. Honest, industrious, modest, genial and kind-hearted, Mr. Wall was admired and respected by all who knew him and probably no resident of his time in this city had a wider acquaintance or more real friends, and not a few of the latter had known him from boyhood. Death terminated his life of activity and usefulness on the 30th of January, 1927, when he was in his seventy-first year.

Christopher F. Wall was married in Toledo to Miss Bessie Osterman, a daughter of Nathaniel D. and Margaret (O'Connell) Osterman and of Holland and Irish descent. His widow is still living in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Wall were the parents of two sons and a daughter. The elder son, Christopher Franklin, Jr., was born in May, 1895, and died October 4, 1921, in his twenty-seventh year. He was one of the best known of Toledo's younger and promising business men and had followed closely in the path of his father's success, both as a business man and the modest acquisition of a host of loyal friends and admirers. The second son is Richard J., mentioned below. The daughter, Alice Margaret, is the wife of John Charles Cochrane, of Ottawa Hills, and has two sons, Christopher Wall Cochrane and Samuel Stewart Cochrane. Mrs. Cochrane was one of the first women to enjoy an extended airplane trip when she accompanied her brother, Richard J., on a cross country trip.

In the acquirement of an education Richard J. Wall attended parochial and public schools of Toledo and next entered St. John's College of this city, afterward becoming a reporter for the Toledo Blade. His knowledge of the classics was gained in the University of Michigan, after which he studied law for two years, abandoning his legal work, at the time of his brother's death, to assume the burden of business responsibilities to which he felt his father should no

longer be subjected. At that time he took charge of the taxicab business which C. F. Wall, Jr., had conducted. Later he returned to the University of Michigan as a part-time student in an endeavor to complete his preparation for the law. However, the stress of business forced him to forego even this, after a year. A reorganization of the business was effected in 1921 and since that time Richard J. Wall has controlled about seventy-five per cent of the stock. He was vice president at first but since 1927 has been president of the Toledo Yellow Taxicab Company, of which his brother was formerly the executive head. This is the largest taxicab company in the city and its operation involves over one hundred cars and three hundred employes in this division. Mr. Wall is also president of the Toledo Transfer & Storage Company, operating the finest garage in the city, together with other interests. He is president of the Yellow Drive Yourself Systems, president of the National Electric Specialty Company, manufacturers of electric specialties, president of the American Air Transport Company, which began its operations of carrying passengers over air routes in 1928. The able and efficient manner in which these various businesses are conducted affords an excellent tribute to Mr. Wall's ability as an executive and capacity as an organizer. In June, 1929, he was named a member of a special committee appointed by Secretary of Commerce Lamont at Washington to investigate automobile maintenance and to determine steps to be taken to reduce the number of accidents from faulty mechanism. This committee consists of thirty-eight representatives of manufacturers, automobile dealers, motor clubs and operators from various sections of the country. Systematic, methodical and decisive, Mr. Wall has scattered his energies without lessening their force, and the progress made by the corporations which he heads is proof of his administrative power and business acumen.

Mr. Wall is a bachelor and resides at the Commodore Perry Hotel, while his office is located at 221 Ontario street. He adheres to the Roman Catholic faith and is affiliated with the church of St. Francis de Sales. A portion of his time is reserved for politics and as a member of the executive committee of Lucas county he exerts considerable influence in the

local councils of the republican party. He is honorary president of the Toledo Safety Council and a director of the National Safety Council, and never refuses to serve his city when needed. Along fraternal and social lines he is connected with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo Club, the Sylvania Golf Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. For diversion he also turns to hunting, fishing and flying. He is an experienced aviator and an authorized pilot, holding license No. 3705 issued by the department of commerce, and has traveled several thousands of miles through the air from coast to coast. Mr. Wall is thoroughly imbued with the progressive spirit of the age and has erected as the guide-posts of his life those principles which constitute the basis of all honorable and desirable prosperity—so well established by his father and followed through, during his short life, by his brother, Christopher F., Jr. He is a young man of exceptional ability and through his achievements has brought additional luster to the family name.

CHARLES DEMOIN HOOVER

Charles D. Hoover, vice mayor of Toledo, has been a leader in local politics for several years and is also identified with busness affairs as a representative of the Electric Auto-Lite Company. He was born in Lima, Ohio, July 1, 1879, and is a son of James W. and Ida (McWilliams) Hoover. The grandfather, Washington Hoover, migrated from Pennsylvania to Ohio and was one of the pioneer agriculturists of Allen county. James W. Hoover was born on his father's farm near Lima and became a railroad employe, following that line of work for forty-seven years. He is now retired but Mrs. Hoover passed away in 1886.

Charles D. Hoover was about four years of age when the family moved to Warrensburg, Illinois, where his mother died when he was seven years old. He then went to live with his uncle, Frank McWilliams, a farmer living about two miles from Warrensburg. Three years later he returned to Ohio and until the age of seventeen made his home with his uncle, Edward S. Hoover, a farmer of New Richland,

Ohio. Up to this time Charles D. Hoover had attended the district and common schools and had worked as a farm hand, but he was ambitious not only for better education but as well for a business or trade that afforded more of a future than farm work. He attended the Ohio Northern University at Ada, Ohio, and when nineteen he became an apprentice in the Toledo plant of Baker Brothers and there learned the trade of pattern making. Later he was connected with that department of the Kent-Owens Machine Works, in which he spent two years, and in 1918 entered the employ of the Electric Auto-Lite Company in the capacity of a pattern maker. His energy and skill soon won recognition and at the end of eighteen months he was placed at the head of the pattern department, of which he still has charge. He also has supervision of the work in the castings department and is an important factor in the production end of the business, exerting every effort to further the interests of the company, to which he has rendered eleven years of faithful service.

Mr. Hoover was married April 12, 1904, in Toledo, to Miss Ruby Alice Schaub and they have become the parents of a son, Ralph James, who was born February 8, 1906, in Toledo, and is now connected with the engineering department of the city. Mr. and Mrs. Hoover are earnest, helpful members of the Monroe Street Methodist church and both take an active part in republican politics. Mr. Hoover was a precinct committeeman for two terms and afterward was a member of the city council for five consecutive terms of two years each. During that period he aided in securing for the municipality many needed improvements and lent the weight of his support to all movements of reform and progress. In 1927 he was made vice mayor and is also rendering valuable service to Toledo in that connection, performing his duties with characteristic efficiency and thoroughness. Along fraternal lines he is affiliated with the Masons, the Eagles, the Independent Order of Foresters and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, while his wife takes a prominent part in the local activities of the Daughters of Rebekah and also those of the Eastern Star. He is much interested in the work of the Salvation Army and has been appointed by the commander of this district with several other prominent business

men to act as an advisory committee. Mr. Hoover is a broad-minded man of proven integrity and worth and his influence upon the life of the city has been of the highest order.

WILLIAM P. HAYNES

One of the old and influential financial institutions of Sandusky county is the Fremont Savings Bank Company, of Fremont, of which William P. Haynes is president and of which his father was president before him. He has devoted the greater part of his business life to banking and is regarded as a capable, progressive and dependable man in all the relations of life. Born in Fremont, in 1861, he is a son of William E. and Maria (Harmon) Haynes. His father was born in New York state, whence he removed to Fremont about 1840. He early became identified with the banking business and in 1892 acquired an interest in the Fremont Savings Bank Company, which had been etsablished in 1882, and of which he eventually became president, filling the office to the time of his death, in December, 1914. He was a democrat in his political views, was actively interested in public affairs, and in 1888 was elected to repreesnt his district in congress, in which body he served two terms with credit and distinction. He was a man of broad views and well defined opinions and was numbered among the strong and influential men of his community.

William P. Haynes attended the public schools, spent two years in high school and two years in the DeVeaux boarding school. In 1880 he returned to Fremont and accepted a position as bookkeeper in the private bank of White & Haynes, in which capacity he served until the fall of 1886. On April 1, 1887, he entered the First National Bank as bookkeeper and teller, and remained with that institution until 1893, when he came to the Fremont Savings Bank Company to relieve Mr. Hayes. He has worked up through the various departments of the bank, serving successively as teller, assistant cashier, cashier and vice president, and in December, 1914, on the death of his father, was elected president, which office he is still filling in an able and eminently satisfactory man-

ner. He is also a director and president of the Sandusky County Savings and Loan Bank.

In 1891 Mr. Haynes was united in marriage to Miss Grace Newcombe, of Fremont, and they have a daughter, Ruth, who is the wife of G. E. Cooper, of Kokomo, Indiana, and to them have been born three children—Barbara, John and Richard. Mrs. Haynes is a member of the Protestant Episcopal church and is active in the work of its societies, as well as in the civic and social affairs of Fremont. Mr. Haynes has always supported the democratic party and has shown a helpful interest in public affairs, having served two years as a member of the city council, while at present he is a member of the city sinking fund board. He is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Fremont Chamber of Commerce. He attends the Episcopal church, to which he gives generous support, as he does to all worthy benevolent causes. He is a man of strong character and sincere purpose, has stood consistently for those things which contribute to the public welfare and is regarded as one of Fremont's valued and substantial citizens.

STANLEY WOLFE

The largest and most important contracting firm in Sandusky county is the Steinle-Wolfe Construction Company, of Fremont, of which Stanley Wolfe is a partner. This concern takes contracts of any size, large or small, and has a fine reputation for the thorough character of its work, evidences of which are to be found throughout northwestern Ohio.

Stanley Wolfe was born in Fremont, in 1893, and is a son of Charles M. and Clara M. Wolfe. The father, who was also a native of Sandusky county, engaged in the contracting business for thirty-five years and was one of the best known men in his line in this section of the state. Stanley Wolfe was educated in the public schools, graduating from high school in 1912, after which he was associated in business with his father until 1916. When the United States became involved in the European struggle he enlisted in the One Hun-

dred and Forty-seventh Infantry Regiment, commanded by Colonel Galbraith, and became regimental supply officer with the rank of captain. He was sent overseas, where he served nine months, during which time he took part in five engagements and was wounded in the Meuse-Argonne offensive. In 1919 he returned to this country and was honorablly discharged.

Returning to Fremont, Mr. Wolfe worked for Carl F. Steinle, contractor, for about a year. Later he was with his father two years, or until the latter's death, and in 1923 he formed a partnership with Mr. Steinle, under the firm name of the Steinle-Wolfe Construction Company. In January, 1926, Mr. Wolf and Mr. Steinle organized the Advance Lumber Company in Fremont and he is still actively connected with both enterprises. The Steinle-Wolfe corncern has done much important building throughout northwestern Ohio, among the prominent structures erected by them being the Fremont Foundry building; Buick and Dodge garage, Sandusky; Elks Home, Fostoria; schools at Bellevue; buildings for the Herbrand Company, Fremont; Genoa high school; Franz-Theodore Stone laboratory, Gibraltar Island, Ohio; Kresge building, Fremont; filtration plant at Fremont, and many other important public buildings and private residences in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan. They have also done a large amount of wrecking work. They have a well established reputation for dependability in the execution of their contracts and are numbered among Sandusky county's leading business men.

In 1915 Mr. Wolfe was united in marriage to Miss Margaret Bowlus, of Fremont, and they are the parents of four children, Jane, Charles, Barbara and Suzanne. Mr. Wolfe is a republican and has been active in local public affairs, having served for six years as a member of the election board. He is a member of Ft. Stephenson Lodge, No. 225, F. & A. M.; also the chapter, council and commandery; Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Toledo. He likewise belongs to Fremont Lodge, No. 169, B. P. O. E.; the Rotary Club, the Chamber of Commerce and the American Legion. He attends the Presbyterian church, to which he gives liberal support. He is still interested in military affairs, holding a commission as captain in the One Hun-

dred and Forty-eighth Regiment Ohio National Guard. He is a man of stanch personal qualities, stands for all that is best in the life of the community and commands to a marked degree the esteem of those who know him.

JOHN O. MUNN

John O. Munn, president of the John O. Munn Company, maintaining an advertising agency in Toledo, was born in Watertown, Codington county, South Dakota, September 7, 1886, a son of Edward P. and Martha B. (Heck) Munn. The father's birth occurred in Batavia, New York, February 21, 1855, and he was descended from an old New York family of English lineage that was founded in America prior to the Revolutionary war, in which some of his ancestors participated. Edward P. Munn pursued his education in Valparaiso, Indiana, and in 1883 removed to the west, becoming a pioneer of South Dakota, where he followed agricultural pursuits for many years but is now living retired in Los Angeles, California. His wife was born in South Bend, Indiana, February 22, 1860, and comes of a family of Dutch descent that was established in Pennsylvania at an early day. Through the maternal line she comes of French Huguenot ancestry. By her marriage she has a family of eight children, six sons and two daughters, all of whom survive.

John O. Munn, who was the fifth in order of birth in this family, was only a year old when his parents left South Dakota and became residents of Toledo, where he pursued his education, attending the grade and high schools of the city. He started out to earn his own living when a youth of sixteen and was first employed by the Franklin Printing & Engraving Company in the sales department at a wage of a dollar and a half per week. That he was industrious and faithful is indicated in the fact that he remained with his first employers for eight years. He next became connected with the Willys-Overland Company as assistant advertising manager and was associated with that organization for ten years or until 1919, when he established business on his own account under the name of John O. Munn Company, specializing in advertising

for automobile dealers. The business was begun on a small scale but has been steadily developed and expanded until it is now one of national proportions. The company handles much of the advertising of automobile dealers throughout the United States. In 1924 Mr. Munn organized Sterling Beeson, Inc., which is a national advertising agency, advertising products of Toledo manufacturers, and of this company Mr. Munn is vice president. They employ on an average fifteen people in the office and their business is one of steady and gratifying growth.

On the 15th of October, 1921, in Toledo, Mr. Munn was married to Miss Signora Roberts, who was born in Alexandria, Indiana, a daughter of W. T. and Elizabeth (Ferguson) Roberts, the latter a representative of an old Virginian family. Mr. and Mrs. Munn have two children: Nancy Jane, born in Toledo, March 2, 1923; and Mary E., born August 30, 1924. They reside at 39 Canterbury court, Ottawa Hills. This is a suburban home in which Mr. Munn takes great delight, for he finds much pleasure in gardening and horticultural pursuits, spending his leisure hours in the cultivation and care of his flowers, which are abundant and beautiful.

Mr. and Mrs. Munn hold membership in the Ashland Avenue Baptist church, of which he was formerly a trustee. He belongs to the Young Men's Christian Association and has taken a very active part in its educational work. His wife has membership in the Young Women's Christian Association and in the Women's Club of Toledo. In Masonic circles he is well known, being identified with Fort Industry Lodge No. 208, F. & A. M.; Toledo Council No. 33, R. & S. M.; Toledo Commandery No. 7, K. T.; and Toledo Consistory, in which he was secretary of the class of 1925. He is likewise connected with Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Toledo. He belongs to the Toledo Club and he gives his political allegiance to the republican party. He has been frequently called to leadership in club circles, serving as president of the Toledo Exchange Club and also of the Toledo Advertising Club, while at the present writing he is vice president of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and at one time was a member of the Toledo Efficiency Committee. He takes deep interest in every-

thing that he deems of vital worth to the community and his cooperation can always be counted upon to further those plans and measures which make for public progress and improvement. The interests and activities of his life are well balanced, making him a helpful and public-spirited citizen as well as an enterprising, progressive and prosperous business man whom to know is at all times to respect and honor.

CLARENCE WILLIAM FREDERICK

Clarence W. Frederick is president and general manager of the East Side Sales Company, of Fremont, which has one of the most prominent and successful automobile sales agencies in Sandusky county and is enjoying a steadily growing business. Mr. Frederick was born in Tiffin, Seneca county, Ohio, on the 7th of January, 1891, and is a son of Frank J. and Carrie (Foos) Frederick, both of whom are deceased. He was educated in the parochial schools at Millersville, Ohio, and at the age of fourteen years began clerking in a grocery store. Later he joined his father in the hardware business at Millersville, with which he was connected until the spring of 1917, when he enlisted in the Forty-ninth Aerial Squadron for service in the World war. He was made a sergeant and was engaged in mechanical work at Kelley field until the close of the war, being honorably discharged in February, 1919. During the remainder of that year he worked for the International Harvester Company in Toledo, Ohio, and in 1920 he bought an interest in A. J. Gibbs' automobile business in Fremont, which was conducted under the name of the East Side Sales Company. They dealt in Studebaker cars, International trucks and farm machinery, their sales territory including all of Sandusky county and some outside territory. In 1922 Mr. Gibbs sold his interest, which is now owned by three Frederick brothers, Clarence W. Frederick being president and general manager of the company; Urban A. Frederick, vice president; and Victor C. Frederick, secretary and treasurer. They have five salesmen on the outside and five men in the service department. In 1923 they erected the substantial building which they now occupy at 118 East

State street, where they have a well arranged office, attractive showroom and a well equipped repair and service department. Their energetic and progressive methods have resulted in a large increase in the volume of their business and they are enjoying a fine measure of prosperity.

In 1919 Mr. Frederick was united in marriage to Miss Cecile Molyet, of Old Fort, Ohio, and they are the parents of three children, Clarence W., Jr., Francis Cyril and Mary Kathleen. Urban and Victor Frederick are also married, the former having four children and the latter one child. Clarence W. Frederick is a democrat in his political views and has shown a commendable interest in the welfare of the community. He is a member of the American Legion, the Knights of Columbus, the Catholic Knights of Ohio and the Lions Club. He and his wife belong to St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church. Mr. Frederick possesses an agreeable personality, is straightforward in all of his affairs and commands the confidence and respect of all who have dealt with him, while in social circles he is deservedly popular.

GEORGE ALBERT VRADENBURG

Prominent among the progressive, able and successful business men of Toledo stands George A. Vradenburg, vice president and general manager of The Champion No-Leak Paper Dish Company, and he is closely identified with a number of other important commercial enterprises of the city. He was born in South Dakota on the 1st of April, 1882, and is a son of Cassius and Caroline Elizabeth (Kiltz) Vradenburg. His family was founded in this country by his grandfather, Milo Vradenburg, who was a native of Holland and died in Kalamazoo, Michigan. Cassius Vradenburg, who was born in Pennsylvania, followed the occupation of farming during his early years but later engaged in mercantile affairs and is now living in California. He is a republican in politics. His wife was born in Pennsylvania and died in Iowa.

George A. Vradenburg attended the public schools of Iowa; later took a preparatory course at Oberlin Academy,

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and then a full college course at Oberlin College, graduating in 1910 with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. During his college course he was a 4 letter man, receiving letters in football, baseball, basket-ball, being a member of the first team the college had, and debate. During his last year in football he was selected as all state half-back.

Mr. Vradenburg first became a salesman for the Toledo Seed & Oil Company, of Toledo, of which concern he eventually became vice president and general manager, being with that company for twelve years altogether. In 1922 he established the American Paper Container Company, of which he became president and general manager, but subsequently sold that business and developed The Champion No-Leak Paper Dish Company. As general manager of this business he has placed it on a solid footing, it now being the largest company in its line in the world, with branches at Evansville, Indiana, and Chattanooga, Tennessee, its products enjoying a well deserved popularity throughout the country. Mr. Vradenburg is also vice president and general manager of the American Paper Bottle Company, of Toledo; owns a half interest in and is a director of the Detroit Oil & Naval Stores Company, of Detroit, Michigan, and a director of a number of other industrial and commercial interests in Toledo.

On February 28, 1911, in Gladstone, Michigan, Mr. Vradenburg was united in marriage to Miss Lena Bushong, who was born in Columbus Grove, Ohio, and is a daughter of Isaac N. and Alice (Scott) Bushong, the latter of whom is deceased. Mr. Bushong is a successful lumber manufacturer of Gladstone, Michigan. Mrs. Vradenburg completed her education at Oberlin College and is a member of various women's clubs of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Vradenburg are the parents of three children, namely: Helen Elizabeth, born December 23, 1912; John Newton, born August 10, 1915; and George Albert, Jr., born September 10, 1919.

The republican party receives Mr. Vradenburg's support and he is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Rotary Club and the Sylvania Golf Club. He and his wife are members of the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church. Ever since coming to Toledo he has manifested a keen and helpful interest in the Y. M. C. A. and been active in the work

of that organization, serving as a trustee for some twelve years, chairman of Hi-Y and city wide boys' work committees six years and now vice president of the Y. M. C. A. Mr. Vradenburg, though a very busy man, has never neglected his duty to his community, maintaining a deep interest in those things which are calculated to promote the general welfare of the people along material, civic or moral lines, and is regarded as one of Toledo's best citizens in the finest sense of the term. His residence is at 3531 Brookside road, Ottawa Hills.

GRAFTON MOLEN ACKLIN

To such men as the late Grafton M. Acklin is the city of Toledo indebted for its prominence in the industrial world, for to a marked degree he possessed those qualities which make for success in any undertaking—courage, judgment and integrity—and as president of the Acklin Stamping Company he attained a measure of success worthy of his efforts.

Mr. Acklin was born in Aberdeen, Brown county, Ohio, on the 30th of July, 1851, and his death occurred in Toledo on the 17th of December, 1926. He was a son of John S. and Martha Ann (Smith) Acklin, the former of whom was born September 4, 1850, in Maysville, Kentucky. John S. Acklin was a son of David and Martha (Maxwell) Acklin, the former of whom was born in Campbell county, Kentucky, in 1792. Grafton M. Acklin, who was one of eight children born to his parents, attended school in his native town to the age of fifteen years and then came to Toledo, which was his home during the remainder of his life. Here he gained employment as a clerk in a wholesale grocery store, of which he eventually became one of the owners. Later the partnership was dissolved and Mr. Acklin engaged in the coffee roasting and spice business, which he carried on successfully until 1896, when he was requested to take over the management of the Toledo Machine & Tool Company, which at that time was but a small institution. Under his wise and judicious management the business prospered and it became one of the largest manufacturing and industrial concerns of Toledo. He retired from

that company in 1911 and soon afterward, in association with his three sons, James M., Donald R. and William Collord, organized the Acklin Stamping Company, of which he became president holding that position up to the time of his death. The company soon outgrew its original factory and in 1925 moved into its present plant, at 1925 Nebraska avenue, one of the largest and finest factories in Toledo. After his death, James M. Acklin became and still is president of the company, the other officers being Donald R. Acklin, vice president, and William C. Acklin, secretary and treasurer.

In 1881 Grafton M. Acklin was united in marriage to Miss Jessie F. Ridenour, who was born in Smithville, Wayne county, Ohio, but was living in Toledo at the time of her marriage. Her death occurred August 27, 1927. To their union were born three sons and two daughters, namely: James M., born April 27, 1884, who is referred to more fully on another page of this work; Donald R., born April 17, 1886, who resides in Perrysburg, Ohio, and is vice president of the Acklin Stamping Company; Jessie Florence, born May 23, 1892, who became the wife of Ralph L. Binney, of Toledo, October 20, 1917, and died October 20, 1918; Margery, who died in infancy; and William C., who was born July 22, 1898. Donald R. attended the Toledo public schools and graduated from Ohio State University in 1908. He served for thirteen years as a member of the state agricultural board. On June 6, 1912, he married Miss Imogen McClees, of Columbus, Ohio, and they have four children, namely: Jessie, born April 16, 1913; Margery, born February 21, 1915; Donald, born February 21, 1915; and Catherine, born August 1, 1918. William C. Acklin was married, August 4, 1920, to Miss Marjory Stewart. He is a veteran of the World war, having gone overseas as a captain in the Twenty-sixth Division, the first American division to land in France. He saw much active service and was awarded three service stripes and three wound stripes. He received a good education, having graduated from Cornell University with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1910. He is a Scottish Rite Mason and belongs also to the American Legion, the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, and Tam-O-Shanter Club of Detroit. He and his family were members and liberal supporters of the First Congregational church.

Grafton M. Acklin entertained no ambitions for political preferment, but, because of his well known ability and integrity, he was selected to serve as one of the trustees of the sinking fund, which position he filled for eight years, and was also one of the commissioners of the sinking fund for the school district of Toledo. He was a member of the Toledo Club and the Ottawa Shooting Club and took great pleasure in the companionship of his friends. However, his chief interest aside from his business was in the Masonic order, to which he gave much of his time and efforts for half a century. For more than four decades he was connected with the grand chapter and grand council of Ohio and for more than three decades with the general grand chapter and general grand council of the United States. On May 9, 1921, Mr. Acklin had the pleasure of visiting Keystone Chapter, No. 1, R. A. M., at Shanghai, China, and was elected an honorary member of that body. He took a real interest in the work of the order because of its meaning to him, rather than for any official preferment which it offered him. He was a nobleman by nature; honored every position which he filled, and his death was the cause of deep regret throughout the wide range of his acquaintance.

E. J. FROWINE, D. D. S.

Among the capable and popular dentists of Wood county Dr. E. J. Frowine of Bowling Green holds a conspicuous place. He has been engaged in the practice of dentistry here for nearly a quarter of a century, during which period he has held the confidence of the people and has enjoyed very satisfactory patronage.

Dr. Frowine was born in Portsmouth, Scioto county, Ohio, and is the son of August and Mary (Fisher) Frowine, both of whom are deceased. He received his preliminary training in the public schools and then entered the Ohio State University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1904. He is a member of the Psi Omega fraternity, and the Omicron Kappa Upsilon honorary dental fraternity. He at once entered on his life work in Bowling Green, where he has a nicely furnished and well equipped

office in the Commercial Bank building. He has earned a reputation as a careful, painstaking and thorough operator, retaining the respect and good will of all those who avail themselves of his services.

The Doctor maintains professional affiliation with the Northern Ohio Dental Association, Ohio State Dental Society, American Dental Association, and the Wood County Dental Society. He is president of The Mutual Savings and Loan Company. The republican party receives Dr. Frowine's vote. He has served two terms on the city council, and one term as the president. He has shown constant interest in matters relating to the prosperity and welfare of his city and is regarded as one of the public spirited men of the community. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club of the city and has served one term as its president. He is also a member of the Commercial Club, the Free and Accepted Masons, in which he has received both the York and Scottish Rite degrees, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Dr. Frowine was united in marriage to Miss Bertha Von Kanel of Bowling Green, and they are the parents of two children, Von K., and Susan. He and his family are members of the Presbyterian church.

GEORGE L. BOYERS

Industrial circles of Toledo and Lucas county number George L. Boyers as a prominent representative, for he is well known as the president of the Boardman Stamp Company; capable and resourceful in the field of business in which he has achieved marked success. He has extended his trade connections to many neighboring cities and to adjoining states and is now reaping the well merited rewards of labor.

Mr. Boyers was born in Jackson, Michigan, September 9, 1881, and is a son of Irving L. and Emma M. (Holbrook) Boyers. The father, who was born in the state of New York in 1854 and was a representative of one of the old New York families of English lineage, was one of thirteen sons, all of whom were apprenticed to learn a trade. Irving L. Boyers

pursued his education in New York and became a resident of Michigan in the latter part of the '70s. There he acted as a guard in the Jackson state penitentiary for many years. In politics he was a stanch prohibitionist and throughout his life was an earnest advocate of the cause of temperance. He held membership in the Methodist Episcopal church and passed away in that faith July 14, 1916, when sixty-two years of age. His wife, who was born in Jackson, Michigan, January 28, 1851, was a daughter of a pioneer settler of that place and the family was of English descent. She survives her husband and makes her home in Toledo. The family numbered four sons: Wesley I., Benjamin G., George L. and William H., all residents of Toledo.

George L. Boyers largely acquired his education in the public schools of Charlotte, Michigan, and afterward attended the Owosso Business College at Owosso, that state, being graduated from that institution with the class of 1901. He was first employed as secretary to the train master of the Grand Trunk Railroad at Durand, Michigan, where he continued for two years, and later he was with the Pacific Express Company as secretary to the superintendent of the Ohio division. On the 10th of June, 1908, he arrived in Toledo an entire stranger. He continued to fill the position of secretary here for five years and during the succeeding two years was manager for the Stebbins-Wilhelm Furniture Company, engaged in the manufacture of furniture at Sturgis, Michigan. After two years spent in that service he was with the Toledo & Ohio Central Railroad Company in various capacities for a period of eight years, first acting as a stenographer but gradually working his way upward until he became traveling passenger agent. When he retired from that position he was made office manager for the Tiedtke Brothers Company of Toledo and thus spent the ensuing four and one-half years. On the 1st of August, 1920, he purchased the plant of the old established Boardman Stamp Company, the business having been conducted by the Boardman family from 1881, it being a pioneer enterprise of northwestern Ohio. Today the company is widely known and the trade extends over a wide territory. Mr. Boyers maintains the high standards which have ever been associated with the house and his business

methods and reliability are features in the continued success of the undertaking.

On the 31st of August, 1904, Mr. Boyers was married to Miss Grace M. Walter, a native of Tiffin, Ohio, and a daughter of Amos J. and Sophia (Kerschner) Walter. The Walter family formerly lived in Mansfield, Ohio, while the Kerschner family came from Pennsylvania and was related to the Wanamaker family of Philadelphia. Mrs. Boyers is now manager in the savings department of the Commercial Savings Bank & Trust Company, a position which she has occupied for eight years.

Mr. Boyers votes with the republican party and keeps well informed on the questions and issues of the day but has never been a politician in the sense of office seeking. He belongs to Calumet Lodge No. 612, F. & A. M., the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Credit Men's Association and to the Broadway Methodist Episcopal church, of which he is a steward. He enjoys tennis and bowling when the demands of business afford him periods of leisure in which to participate in those sports. His business affairs, however, engage the major part of his time and attention and it has been his close application and persistent purpose that has enabled him to steadily progress toward the goal of success. The Boyers' home is located at 741 Southover road, Mayfair Park addition.

FREEMAN S. BILLINGS

Freeman S. Billings, of Clyde, who owns one of the leading garages in Sandusky county, has attained success because he has worked hard and intelligently for it, his business being conducted on a plane that has commended him to automobile owners in need of service. Mr. Billings was born at Delray, near Detroit, Michigan, in 1893, and is a son of Freeman J. and Elizabeth (Valimont) Billings. His father, who for a number of years was successfully engaged in the paper manufacturing business, established his permanent home at Clyde, Ohio, in 1922. He is now retired from active pursuits and is spending much of his time in travel.

F. S. Billings received his education in the public schools

of Delray, after which he was associated with his father in manufacture of paper until they quit that business and came to Clyde. Soon after he bought the A. M. LaFerer property, which he converted into a large garage. In this enterprise he met with encouraging success and at length was compelled to build an addition to the original building. He now has a general garage, including a large and complete repair department, in which he employs a number of skilled workmen. He maintains a wrecking service and also a complete accessory stock and a full supply of parts, so that he is able to do prompt repair work on all makes of cars. One of the basic principles of his business policy is that every patron shall leave his place satisfied, for he knows that satisfied cutsomers are his best advertisement.

In 1914 Mr. Billings was united in marriage to Miss Ann White, of Toledo, and they have a son, Alfred James, born in 1920 and now attending school. Mrs. Billings has been a valuable assistant to her husband in his business, keeping the books and attending to the office. Mr. Billings is a republican in his political creed and is never remiss in the duties of citizenship. He belongs to the Exchange Club and is popular among his many friends, while throughout the community he is held in high esteem.

ALBERT M. MAYLE

One of Toledo's important industrial concerns is the Mayle Manufacturing Company, Inc., of which Albert M. Mayle is president and general manager, and under his wise supervision the company has made splendid progress in the business world. Mr. Mayle was born at Fremont, Sandusky county, Ohio, on the 1st day of August, 1879, and received his education in St. Joseph's parochial school there, but laid aside his textbooks at the age of thirteen years in order to assist in the support of the family. During the following three years he was employed as a farm hand and in a furniture factory, and then apprenticed himself to learn the trade of a machinist. He followed that line of work until 1914, when he started a small factory in his back yard on Foster

avenue, Toledo. He met with encouraging success in this venture and remained at that location for four years. In 1919 he bought a lot of John Vollmeyer and formed the Mayle Manufacturing Company, Inc., for the manufacture of tools and dies. He erected a factory building on his lot, in which he carried on the business until 1927, when, it having grown to an extent that demanded more space, the company erected its present up-to-date factory building, sixty by one hundred and twenty-six feet in size, at 1735 Hawthorn street, where they are now equipped to do any kind of work in their special line, the making of stamping dies. They are turning out a large amount of work, nearly all of which is for manufacturing concerns in and near Toledo. The present officers of the Mayle Manufacturing Company are: Albert M. Mayle, president and general manager; A. J. Mellon, vice president; and S. N. Sloan, secretary and treasurer.

Mr. Mayle is a self-made man in the best sense of the term and deserves a large meed of credit for what he has accomplished through his determination, industry and good judgment, and today those who know him hold him in the highest respect.

WILLIAM G. HUBACH

William G. Hubach, one of the executives of the Hubach Products Company and a prominent business man of Tiffin, was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana, February 19, 1875, a son of Henry and Emma (Reyfuss) Hubach, of whom more extended mention is made in connection with the sketch of Charles H. Hubach, on another page of this work. William G. Hubach supplemented his public school education by attendance at a business college, from which he was graduated in 1895, and then took a course in the Wahl-Herman Brewing Institute of Chicago. This training was utilized to advantage in the brewery which his father had established in Tiffin and the son remained active in the conduct of the industry until the advent of prohibition. At that time the plant was supplied with new equipment and has since been utilized for the manufacture of ice cream, butter and cheese

of superior quality. The business is operated under the name of the Hubach Products Company, of which Charles H. Hubach is the executive head, and William G. Hubach fills the office of manager. His comprehensive knowledge of the dairy industry is supplemented by keen sagacity and his work has constituted a vital element in the upbuilding and success of the business.

Mr. Hubach was married October 29, 1910, to Miss Elizabeth Mathias, of Tiffin, and both have a wide circle of sincere friends in the city in which they have so long resided. Mr. Hubach is a Scottish Rite Mason of the thirty-second degree, belongs to Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and is also connected with the Fraternal Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Improved Order of Red Men and the Eagles. In politics he is a democrat and loyally supports every movement destined to prove of benefit to Tiffin. He is a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, the Mohawk Golf Club and the Lincoln Club. Throughout life Mr. Hubach has been an earnest, systematic worker, conscientiously performing his duties and obligations, and the respect accorded him is well deserved.

DR. ORVILLE L. ALTENBERG

Dr. Orville L. Altenberg, a well known Toledo optometrist, was born in Ithaca, Michigan, December 21, 1876, a son of Daniel W. and Sophia E. (Ingman) Altenberg. His father was born in Utica, New York, May 5, 1834, and the family, of German lineage, was long established in that state. The ancestry, however, is traced back to Altenberg, Germany, where lived William Altenberg, who came to America in 1779, settling in the Empire state. He enlisted at Utica, New York, for service in the War of 1812 and was killed in action. Daniel W. Altenberg was reared and educated in DeKalb county, Indiana, the family home having been established at Auburn. During the Civil war he and four of his brothers volunteered in defense of the Union, becoming members of Company M, First Indiana Heavy Artillery, and rendered valuable aid in support of the cause which they

espoused. Daniel W. Altenberg was a civil engineer who successfully followed his profession for many years. At the time of his death he was living in Ithaca, Michigan, and there passed away December 1, 1898, at the age of sixty-four. For many years he had served as surveyor of Gratiot county, Michigan. He gave his political allegiance to the republican party and he was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Grand Army of the Republic. His wife, who was born in Auburn, Indiana, was a daughter of Lancelot Ingman, who was a pioneer settler of Auburn, Indiana, of English descent. Her grandfather in the maternal line and three of his children were massacred by Indians in Virginia, his wife and one child hiding in a wheat field and thus managing to escape. To Mr. and Mrs. Daniel W. Altenberg were born five sons and two daughters, of whom six are yet living.

Dr. Altenberg, who was the sixth in order of birth, first opened his eyes to the light of day on a farm in a log cabin which his father had built. He obtained his education in the public schools of Ithaca, Michigan, and then in preparation for his professional career attended the Chicago College of Ophthalmology, from which he was graduated March 7, 1899. He has taken postgraduate work at Kansas City, Missouri, there receiving a diploma March 3, 1914, and he also won a diploma from the Institute of Optometry on September 15, 1920. He is now a fellow of the Optometrical Society. In October, 1909, he was appointed by Governor Fred Warner a member of the Michigan state board of examiners, on which he served for a period of four years. Dr. Altenberg began practicing in Ithaca, Michigan, where he continued until 1913, when he came to Toledo, where he has since maintained an office. He has been quite successful in his chosen life work and he is now a member and executive secretary of the Ohio State Optometric Association, having filled the office for two terms. He belongs to the Toledo Academy of Optometry, of which he is a past president.

Dr. Altenberg was married in Saint Louis, Michigan, December 21, 1897, to Miss Sarah E. Parks, a native of that place and a daughter of Stephen and Sarah (Abair) Parks, both of whom are deceased. Dr. and Mrs. Altenberg have two children: Clarence P., who was born at Elsie, Michigan,

December 2, 1898; and Gordon W., born at Ithaca, May 1, 1901. The family resides at 405 West Manhattan boulevard in Toledo and Dr. Altenberg has his office in the Spitzer building.

Dr. Altenberg has membership in the Collingwood Presbyterian church and in Barton Smith Lodge, No. 613, F. & A. M. He is senior vice commander of Toledo Camp, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Politically he is a republican and an active member of the Lucas County Republican Club. He enjoys hunting, fishing and outdoor recreation, but all interests are made subservient to his professional activities and duties. He has become thoroughly familiar with the scientific principles which underlie his chosen life work and as an optometrist he has gained high rank and well merited position, discharging his professional duties with a sense of conscientious obligation.

THOMAS S. AUBRY

In his commercial career Thomas S. Aubry has made each day count for the utmost, improving the opportunities of the hour and thus advancing steadily until he now ranks with the leading realtors and influential business men of Toledo. He was born in this city on the 28th of December, 1893, and is a son of Toussaint and Emma (Cousino) Aubry. The father was born in St. Edward, Canada, of French ancestry, and when quite young came with his parents to Toledo, his education being completed in this city. Entering the field of merchandising, he prospered in business and in 1909 was able to retire. He gives his political support to the democratic party and is affiliated with the Roman Catholic church and the Knights of Columbus. His wife was a member of one of the old families of Erie, Michigan, and was also of French ancestry. She was born May 1, 1860, and passed away July 25, 1927. In the family were thirteen children, six sons and seven daughters, and all of the sons are yet living, but five of the daughters are deceased.

Thomas S. Aubry was a pupil in parochial and public schools of Toledo and his higher education was acquired in

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St. John's College, from which he was graduated in 1914 with the degree of LL. B. He worked his way through that institution, enrolling in an evening class, which he attended for three years, never missing a night. After his graduation he secured the position of clerk in the office of the National Malleable Castings Company, starting with a salary of nine dollars per week, and he was steadily advanced. In April, 1918, he enlisted in the United States army and was assigned to duty with the medical detachment of the One Hundred and Fifty-eighth Brigade. Mr. Aubrey was stationed at Camp Sherman in Ohio and passed the officer's examination. He was about to start for Camp Gordon, Georgia, when the armistice was declared, and on December 11, 1918, he was honorably discharged.

On returning to Toledo Mr. Aubry organized his present business and with limited capital but a large supply of determination he has established one of the city's leading home building and realty firms. It was incorporated in 1918 under the name of The Aubry Realty Company, which has erected many substantial, attractive and desirable residences, thus contributing toward the city's improvement and upbuilding. The company also writes all forms of insurance and has based its progress upon a firmly established reputation for enterprise and reliability. Mr. Aubry has studied the real estate business from every angle and displays marked foresight and keen sagacity in the conduct of his affairs. He is president of The Aubry Realty Company and also of the Sylvester Mortgage Company, whose business is likewise in a prosperous condition.

Politically Mr. Aubry is of independent views, and he adheres to the Catholic faith. Along fraternal lines he is connected with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He takes a prominent part in the local activities of the former order and acted as chairman of the special sales committee in charge of the Knights of Columbus drive for one hundred and seventy thousand dollars to finance a new athletic building. It has been constructed in Sixteenth street, between Monroe street and Jefferson avenue, and when completed in 1929, the building represents an expenditure of about two hundred and thirty-five thousand

dollars. Mr. Aubry is also a member of the Toledo Club and the Chamber of Commerce. He resides at No. 2533 Cherry street, and his office is located at No. 804 Madison avenue. During his periods of leisure he indulges in hunting and fishing and greatly enjoys all forms of athletic sports. Mr. Aubry is a public-spirited citizen and a progressive business man, alert to conditions in the modern commercial world and possessed of the energy, determination and resourcefulness necessary to cope with them successfully.

WILLIAM E. HETTRICK, Jr.

William E. Hettrick, Jr., president and treasurer of W. E. Hettrick & Son, Inc., is one of Toledo's young, progressive and able business men and is meeting with well deserved success. He was born in Toledo on the 14th of August, 1901, and comes of an old American family which was established in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, about 1740, whose members have all been noted sailmakers. His paternal grandparents were Edward C. and Lydia (Wentz) Hettrick, the former of whom was born in Philedalphia and died in Toledo, Ohio. He served in the quartermaster's department in Washington, D. C., during the Civil war and later became a manufacturer of sails and tents. William E. Hettrick, Sr., son of Edward C. Hettrick and father of W. E. Hettrick of this review, was born in Chicago, Illinois, August 25, 1870, and died in Toledo, Ohio, January 18, 1929. He was about ten years of age when his parents located in Toledo and after leaving school turned his attention to the canvas goods business, in which he gained a detailed knowledge under the able instruction of his father. In 1893 he embarked in business for himself, later incorporating the enterprise as the Hettrick Manufacturing Company, of which he served as president until 1927, when he retired from the organization to form the firm of W. E. Hettrick & Son, Inc. He was president of the latter corporation at the time of his death. In 1892 he married Miss Alice E. McCoy, of Toledo, daughter of John and Jane (Dack) McCoy. They became the parents of two children: Bernice M., who is the wife of Thomas L. Young, of Toledo,

and is the mother of a daughter, Janet; and William E. Hettrick, Jr.

The latter graduated from the Toledo high school in 1919 and then entered the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1923. He took a special course in economics at Oxford University of England and on his return home became associated with the Hettrick Manufacturing Company of Toledo as purchasing agent. In 1927, when William E. Hettrick, Sr., withdrew from that firm, father and son organized and incorporated the firm of W. E. Hettrick & Son, of which the father was president and the son became vice president. On the death of his father, in January, 1929, William E. Hettrick, Jr., became president and treasurer of the corporation, the associate officers being R. A. Landers and J. W. Conn, who serve as vice president and secretary, respectively. They are engaged in the manufacture of canvas goods under the trade name of "Het-Son" and have built up a large and steadily growing business through the high quality of their products and their sound business methods.

Politically Mr. Hettrick is a stanch republican, while his religious faith is indicated by his membership in the Ashland Avenue Baptist church. He belongs as well to the Psi Upsilon college fraternity. He is a keen, discriminating and reliable business man, his splendid executive ability enabling him to maintain his industrial enterprise at the highest degree of efficiency, and he commands the respect of all who are associated with him.

CARL F. STEINLE

For fifty-six years the name of Steinle has figured prominently in connection with the contracting and building business in Fremont and is still represented by Carl F. Steinle, who is now a member of the Steinle-Wolfe Construction Company, one of the most important concerns in its line in Sandusky county. Carl F. Steinle was born in Fremont, in 1878, a son of Joseph J. and Caroline (Gretz) Steinle. The father, who was a native of Germany, engaged in the con-

tracting business in connection with Oswald Steinle, under the name of Steinle Brothers, from 1872 to 1908, when Carl F. Steinle, who had been associated with them, bought the business. Joseph J. Steinle died in February, 1928, at the age of eighty-three years.

Carl F. Steinle received his education in the public schools of Fremont and in Ohio State University, and in 1902, when twenty-four years of age, became identified with his father's business. After taking it over, he carried it on alone, on a much larger scale than under the former owners, erecting the Masonic Temple at Fremont, the Normal school in Bowling Green, the Hayes Memorial at Fremont and the Sandusky County Hospital, besides many other large buildings in this section of the country. In 1923 Mr. Steinle admitted Stanley Wolfe to a partnership in the business, which is now conducted under the name of the Steinle-Wolfe Construction Company. They have done a large amount of important construction work throughout northwestern Ohio and enjoy a high reputation for their sound business methods and the satisfactory character of their work. Among the prominent structures erected by them are the Fremont Foundry building, Buick and Dodge garage in Sandusky, Elks Home in Fostoria, a school in Bellevue, buildings for the Herbrand Company in Fremont, Genoa high school, Franz-Theodore Stone laboratory, Kresge building in Fremont, the filtration plant in Fremont, and many other important public buildings and private residences in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan. Mr. Steinle is a director of the Fremont Factories Company and also of the Advance Lumber and Supply Company.

In 1902 Mr. Steinle was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Kramb, of Fremont, a daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Shively) Kramb. Mr. and Mrs. Steinle are the parents of three children: Miriam, born in 1904; Robert, born in 1905; and Betty, in 1908.

Mr. Steinle is a democrat in his political views and has been active and influential in local political affairs. He is a member of Brainard Lodge, No. 336, F. & A. M.; the Chapter, Council and Commandery; Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Fremont Lodge, No. 169, B. P. O. E., in which he has passed all the chairs, and the

Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. Steinle is a member of the Protestant Episcopal church and the Daughters of the American Revolution, and is active in local civic and social affairs. Mr. Steinle was deeply interested in all war measures and did effective work in the various Liberty Loan and Red Cross drives. In fact, he has never been found lacking in his support of any measure calculated to promote the public welfare and is regarded as a distinct asset to his community, commanding the esteem and good will of all who know him.

ERNEST A. HASEMEYER

Energy, perseverance and diligence constitute the basis of all advancement, and liberally endowed with these qualities, E. A. Hasemeyer has risen to the vice presidency of the Eckhardt Monumental Company. He is in charge of the business in Tiffin and has been identified with this corporation for many years, giving to it the best efforts of his life. He was born in Toledo, Ohio, December 15, 1880, a son of John Fred and Marie Magdalene (Henninger) Hasemeyer, natives of Germany and now deceased. He was reared in his native city and received a public school education. For a year he worked in the Toledo post office and then entered the employ of the Eckhardt Monumental Company of that city. Starting as a bookkeeper, as he demonstrated his worth to the firm he was steadily promoted, and on June 2, 1903, was appointed manager of the Tiffin branch, which office he still fills. Under his expert supervision the business has steadily expanded and he is also vice president and a director of the company, whose interests have always been his first concern. Years of practical experience and close study have given him a highly specialized knowledge of the industry and he also possesses the requisite initiative and executive force. In addition to his activities of that character, he is a director of the American Clay Forming Company of Tiffin and a member of the Tiffin Tire & Supply Company.

Mr. Hasemeyer was married June 12, 1906, to Miss Myrtle Irma Knowlton, who died October 13, 1915, leaving two children, Sylvia M. and Mary Ellen. On the 2d of April,

1918, Mr. Hasemeyer was united in marriage to Miss Hulda Louise Weinig, of Tiffin, and they now have three children: Ernest W., Lucy Ann and Katherine Louise. Mr. Hasemeyer is a Knight Templar and Consistory Mason and a member of Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and is also connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias and the Junior Order United American Mechanics. He is a past president of the Mohawk Golf Club and the Exchange Club. He is a member and trustee of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, is a director of the Young Men's Christian Association and was chairman of the campaign committee of the National Daughters of America Home. His political allegianec is given to the republican party. He is a member of the school board and champions all movements for Tiffin's growth and betterment. Mr. Hasemeyer is a man of substantial worth and his ability, devotion to duty and public spirit are well known to his fellow citizens, who entertain for him high regard.

CARL LOUIS DIERKS

The remarkable strides made in comparatively recent years in the methods of handling fresh fruit and vegetables for the market is strikingly exemplified in the operating methods of C. L. Dierks, Inc., of Toledo, of which concern Carl L. Dierks is president and general manager. This business he has built up from a small beginning to one of the largest and most important in this section of the country.

Mr. Dierks was born in Toledo, Ohio, on the 17th of August, 1888, a son of Frederick and Caroline (Troger) Dierks. His father was born in Hamburg, Germany, and died in Toledo, Ohio. Having learned the trade of cabinet maker in the fatherland, he followed it for a number of years in Toledo. Later he was engaged as a baker and retail grocer. He was a republican in politics, took an active interest in local public affairs and represented his district in the state legislature. He was a charter member of St. Lucas Lutheran church and gave his support to those things which were calculated to promote the material, civic or moral wel-

fare of the people. His wife was born in Schaffhausen, Switzerland, and is now residing in Toledo.

Carl L. Dierks attended the grade and high schools of Toledo, and the knowledge thus acquired was supplemented by a course in the American School of Correspondence. At the age of fifteen years he engaged in the celery business as a side line to his mother's grocery business. He peddled celery in the mornings and evenings and by close attention to his business and courteous treatment of his customers he built up a steadily growing business. Among his principal customers were the large Chinese restaurants, which eventually he supplied with all of the food products used in their business. Before long the business developed into a wholesale celery distribution at the old hay market on Superior street, and when the new market was built on Erie street, he distributed celery to the wholesale and retail trade, a business which has grown steadily to the present time. In 1921 it was incorporated under the name of C. L. Dierks, of which he is president and general manager. Since 1925 the business has been located at 202 Vance street. At this address is also located the F. B. Heyser Company and the Blue Ribbon Beverage Company, subsidiaries of C. L. Dierks, Inc., of which companies Mr. Dierks is president. The company has a branch in Cleveland, Ohio, known as C. L. Dierks, Inc., of which Mr. Dierks is president, and a retail fish market at 90 Main street, Toledo, which is called the Main Street Fish & Poultry Market.

At the time of the incorporation in 1921, the company also took up the repacking and ripening of tomatoes, bringing in carloads of green tomatoes from Florida, Texas, Mississippi, Tennessee and old Mexico. This ripening process, which is carried on by the use of ethylene gas, is one of tremendous importance to the early vegetable and fruit markets of the north. Mr. Dierks and his assistants did much experimenting before they perfected the system to a point where it was dependable. The gas is practicable in ripening not only tomatoes but also honeydew melons, pineapples and bananas. The success in each commodity was very noticeable in the producing of a higher color and ripening the merchandise at a lower temperature, and they were

found to be in a firmer and better condition than when ripened in the old-fashioned way, which was a hot plate and boiler and a high temperature. The principle involved in the use of ethylene gas in the ripening of fruit is to dissolve the green pigment into a sugar content and hasten the maturing of the fruit or vegetable. The Dierks company are the first repackers of fresh tomatoes east of Chicago and are the pioneers in the present method of ripening green stock for market consumption. They are the originators of the present system for repacking purposes, using conveyors and blowers for taking the tissue paper from the tomatoes as they are received from the south. The company utilizes fifteen trucks, employs from twenty-five to fifty persons in the factory, besides the office force. The company has a loading plant at Curtis, Ohio, where there are loaded annually from two hundred to four hundred carloads of canners' stock tomatoes. The company contracts with the farmers for the tomatoes and sells to the canners. The company also has two farms under lease, on which it grows its own celery, one at Ballville, Ohio, and the other at Willard, Ohio, besides large supplies received from the Kalamazoo district.

On June 30, 1915, in Toledo, Mr. Dierks was united in marriage to Miss Helen Irene Furey, who was born in Toledo and is a daughter of Daniel and Ella (Plunkett) Fuery. Mrs. Dierks was educated in the public schools of Toledo and is a member of St. Teresa's Roman Catholic church. Mr. and Mrs. Dierks are the parents of a daughter, Ruth Elizabeth, born August 20, 1916.

Mr. Dierks is a republican in his political affiliation, while his religious connection is with the St. Lucas Lutheran church. He belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo Yacht Club and the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, of which he is on the transportation committee. He is a member of the American Fruit & Vegetable Shippers Association; was on the Great Lakes Regional Advisory Board during the World war and was the last employe of the government in this district concerned with the salvage and appraisal of government war materials. During the war he took an active part in promoting the various drives, and officially he was civilian chief inspector for the government dur-

ing the manufacture of the French 75 mm. gun carriages, made at the plant of the Willys-Overland Company. Mr. Dierks is a man of great initiative and executive ability, is progressive and up-to-date in his methods, and conducts his business along sound and safe lines. He has thus established confidence throughout the trade and the splendid success which has come to him has been well deserved.

JOHN J. LEHMANN

John J. Lehmann, who is numbered among the oldest members of the Sandusky county bar in point of years of professional service, has been engaged in the practice of law in Fremont for thirty-four years, during which time he has stood as the equal of any of his compeers in ability and in those qualities which mark the successful lawyer. Mr. Lehmann was born in Scott township, Sandusky county, on the 12th of October, 1863, and is a son of Leodegar and Barbara (Staub) Lehmann. His father, who was a native of Baden, Germany, came to Sandusky county in 1832 and devoted the remaining years of his active life to farming. The mother's parents were natives of Alsace-Lorraine and when they were crossing the Atlantic in 1832 their daughter Barbara was born.

John J. Lehmann acquired a good public school education, which he supplemented by taking the normal and law courses at the Northern Normal University at Ada. Prior to entering upon the practice of law he taught school for a number of years, during which time he served as principal of the school at Rising Sun, Ohio. He was admitted to the bar October 4, 1894, and has been engaged in the practice of his profession continuously since, commanding a large and remunerative clientele and winning a reputation as one of the most capable and dependable lawyers of this community.

In October, 1894, Mr. Lehmann was united in marriage to Miss Lillian B. Fry, of Scott township, Sandusky county, and they are the parents of four children, namely: Lester L., who enlisted for service in the late war, was commissioned a second lieutenant, and served overseas, being wounded in the

Argonne offensive, and is a member of the American Legion. He is married and is now sales manager with the Federal Electric Sign Company of Chicago. Ruth E. is the only daughter. William E., who also enlisted and was in training, but was not ordered overseas, is now secretary and treasurer of the John C. Verden Company of Cleveland; John F., who is married, is bookkeeper for the Gloria Oil Company, of Fremont, Ohio.

Mr. Lehmann is a democrat in his political affiliation and has always been active in local public affairs. For several years he was clerk of Scott township and served two terms as a member of the state legislature in the seventy-sixth and seventy-seventh general assemblies from 1904 to 1910, in which he was a member of several important committees and did effective work. He is a member of the Sandusky County Bar Association and is now its secretary and treasurer. He and his wife are earnest members of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church, to which they give liberal support. Mr. Lehmann is a member of the Modern Woodmen of America and has been clerk of the local camp for thirty-four years and is the oldest clerk in service in Ohio. He is also a member of the American Insurance Union. He has had a long and creditable career in one of the most exacting of professions, and he has also proved an honorable member of the body politic, standing as a man among men, and commanding respect by innate force of character as well as by superior ability.

ARTHUR W. EMCH

Arthur W. Emch, the efficient and capable assistant cashier of the State Savings Bank, of Woodville, is one of his community's best known citizens and is held in high esteem for his business ability and his sterling character. Mr. Emch was born in 1900 in the town in which he now lives and is a son of Joseph and Lizzie Emch, the former now engaged in farming near Woodville and regarded as one of the substantial citizens of this section.

Mr. Emch received his early education in the public

schools of Woodville and after graduating from high school attended Toledo University. In 1924 he became a stockholder in the State Savings Bank and in that year was made assistant cashier, which responsible position he is still holding. He has shown sound and reliable judgment in practical matters and through his able efforts and devotion to the interests of the bank has largely contributed to its success. He is also a stockholder in the Lucky Farmers Exchange.

Mr. Emch was married September 11, 1928, to Miss Vera M. Owen, daughter of Evan and Daisy (Clapper) Owen, of Woodville, Ohio. Mrs. Emch is a member of United Brethren church. Mr. Emch is independent in politics. He is now serving his fourth year as clerk of the school board. During the late war he was a member of the Students Army Training Corps at Toledo University and is now a member of the American Legion. He attends the Lutheran church and gives his support to every measure or movement intended to promote the best interests of his town or county, in the welfare of which he has shown a commendable interest. He has many warm and loyal friends throughout this locality and all who know him hold him in the highest regard.

HERVE MERRIAM CHENEY

In the front rank of Toledo's successful business men and highly respected citizens stands Herve M. Cheney, the manufacturer of Hall's Catarrh Medicine, which has long been a leader among the standard and popular proprietary remedies of this country. For a half century the Cheney family has produced this valuable medicine and Herve Cheney is fully maintaining the splendid business reputation so firmly established by his father.

He was born on the 13th of October, 1874, on the present site of the Young Men's Christian Association building in Toledo and is a son of Frank J. and Flora (Merriam) Cheney. He attended the public schools of Toledo and after graduating from high school entered the law school of Yale University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1895. He at once entered upon the practice of his

profession but about a year later he relinquished the law to become associated with his father in the present business, to which he is now giving his entire attention.

In 1906 Mr. Cheney was united in marriage to Miss Orah McMillan. He is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Phi Kappa Psi college fraternity and the Inverness Golf Club. He lives in an attractive home in Ottawa Hills, one of Toledo's exclusive suburban districts, and was the first mayor of that town, serving three and a half years from January, 1925. He has shown a constant and effective interest in the progress and welfare of that community, and in the business circles of Toledo is held in high regard for his ability and progressive methods. Personally he is a man of sterling qualities, dependable and loyal under all circumstances, and his kindly, genial and unaffected manner has gained for him the genuine esteem and friendship of all with whom he is associated.

LLOYD THOMAS WILLIAMS

Lloyd Thomas Williams, a well known Toledo attorney who has been actively engaged in practice in this city for nearly three decades, is one of the able lawyers constituting the firm of Geddes, Schmettau, Williams, Eversman & Morgan, who have long enjoyed an enviable reputation among the leading representatives of the profession in Ohio. He was born in Jackson, this state, on the 31st of May, 1874, his parents being William E. and Anna (Hughes) Williams. He traces his ancestry back to Morgan Williams, who was of Welsh birth and who settled in Jackson county, Ohio, about the year 1830. William E. Williams, the father of Lloyd T. Williams, was there born and reared, his natal day being January 8, 1848. Liberal educational advantages were accorded him. He attended the normal school at Lebanon and the Ohio University at Athens and further prepared himself for a professional career as a student in the Ohio Medical College at Cincinnati, which in 1871 conferred upon him the degree of M. D. He engaged successfully in the practice of medicine and surgery at Jackson for four decades or until

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his death, which occurred December 26, 1911, when he was sixty-four years of age. In early manhood he wedded Anna Hughes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Hughes, who were natives of Wales and took up their abode in Ohio about 1830. Thomas L. Hughes became a prominent figure in public affairs and was chosen to represent his district in the Ohio state legislature. He was also well known in business circles as secretary of the Jefferson Furnace Company at Oak Hill, Jackson county, Ohio. His daughter, Mrs. Anna (Hughes) Williams, acquired a public school education at Oak Hill and also pursued a course of study in the Oxford Female Seminary. By her marriage she became the mother of three children: Lloyd Thomas, of this review; Anna, the wife of Orin Gould Murfin, an admiral in the United States Navy; and Winifred, who is the wife of Daniel H. Armstrong, an attorney at law residing in Columbus, Ohio. After the death of his first wife William E. Williams was again married, his second union being with Margaret Evans. They had a son, William Edwin Williams, Jr., who is now a member of the Toledo law firm of Geddes, Schmettau, Williams, Eversman & Morgan.

Lloyd T. Williams received his early education in the public schools of his native city and after his graduation from the high school entered the Ohio State University at Columbus, from which he was graduated with the Bachelor of Philosophy degree in 1896, while four years later, in 1900, the LL. B. degree was conferred upon him by the College of Law of that institution. During the years 1896 and 1897 he was a high school teacher at Jackson. It was in July, 1900, that he entered upon the work of his chosen profession in Toledo, practicing independently until 1903, when he identified himself with the firm of Brown & Geddes. On the 1st of January, 1905, he was admitted to partnership under the firm style of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams and he is now one of the members of the firm of Geddes, Schmettau, Williams, Eversman & Morgan. They specialize in corporation law and are accorded a clientage of extensive and gratifying proportions. Mr. Williams has membership in the Toledo Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the American Bar Association.

On the 14th of September, 1912, in Toledo, Ohio, Mr. Williams was united in marriage to Miss Frances E. Baker, a native of this city and a daughter of Arthur E. Baker and the late Mrs. Alice (Berdan) Baker, representatives of old and well known families of Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Williams are the parents of five children, all born in Toledo, namely: Frances Elizabeth, whose natal day was June 4, 1914; Alice Pamela, born June 27, 1916; Lloyd Thomas, Jr., born May 5, 1918; William, born July 17, 1921; and Arthur Baker, born December 15, 1923. The family residence is at 2025 Parkwood avenue in Toledo.

Mr. Williams gives his political support to the republican party and has manifested an active and helpful interest in civic affairs, having rendered effective public service as chairman of the city plan commission of Toledo, while at the present time he is also a member of the Lucas county plan commission. During the period of the World war he served on the legal examining board and also promoted the various Liberty Loan drives. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the First Congregational church, while fraternally he is affiliated with the Masons, belonging to Rubicon Lodge, F. & A. M.; Fort Meigs Chapter, No. 29, R. A. M.; Toledo Council, No. 33, R. & S. M.; and St. Omar Commandery, No. 59, K. T. Thoroughly appreciative of the social amenities of life, he also has membership in the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, the Carranor Hunt & Polo Club, the University Club and the Ohio State University Faculty Club. He likewise belongs to three Greek letter fraternities —Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Phi and Phi Beta Kappa.

EDWARD GRANT MAY, M. D.

Dr. Edward Grant May holds a peculiarly close relation to the people of the section of Toledo in which he resides, for not only has he ministered successfully to their physical ills for many years but has also evinced a deep and genuine regard for the civic welfare of the community, to which he has given freely of his time and means.

The Doctor was born in Monroe county, Michigan, on the

2d of December, 1864, a son of William J. and Helen E. (Hitchcock) May. His father was born in London, England, where he was reared to the age of twelve years, when he accompanied his parents on their emigration to the United States. He learned the blacksmith trade at an early age and came to Lucas county, Ohio, when there was but one house where now stands the city of Toledo. He settled in Manhattan, now Maumee, where he ran a blacksmith shop and farmed, and at the latter occupation he was very successful, being regarded as one of the best farmers in Lucas county. He became the owner of four hundred acres of land, his holdings now being at the edge of Toledo. In former years it required one full day to go from his farm into Toledo and return. He died at the age of eighty-eight years and his wife when eighty-seven years old. Of the fourteen children who blesesd their union, Dr. Edward G. May is the only survivor.

Edward G. May attended the public schools of Monroe and the high school in Toledo, after which he took up the study of medicine in the Northwest Ohio Medical College, of Toledo (now a part of the University of Toledo), from which he was graduated in 1887. During this period he studied medicine with Dr. W. C. Chapman of Toledo, now deceased, with whom he remained for five years. He served two years as assistant physician in the Toledo Insane Asylum, after which he moved to Archibald, Ohio, where he practiced medicine for twenty-six months. In 1892, Dr. May entered upon the private practice of his profession on Walbridge street, off Broadway, but at the end of a year he bought his present place at 1327 Dorr street, where he has resided continuously to the present time. His was the first building in that block, and the Doctor recalls that there was a rail fence about his property and that the road in front was paved with planks. Horse cars were operated in that section of the city and the Doctor often killed rabbits and game birds in the neighborhood. There were but two other houses in that locality when he settled there, and he has been an interested spectator of the wonderful evolution which has taken place during the thirty-seven years of his residence here. In 1924 he completely remodeled his house, at a great expense, creating one

of the most modern offices in the city. All of the downstairs rooms in the house are finished in imported red gum, with rubbed finish. During the years of his residence here the Doctor has taken an active and effective part in those things which have contributed to the welfare and pleasure of the people of the community and in 1919 did a very fine thing when he erected, at his own expense, a community house, seating one hundred and fifty people. That this has been appreciated is evidenced by the fact that practically every night in the week the building is utilized for some community purpose, such as card parties, band meetings, lodge meetings, dancing parties and other local meetings. This building is kept open and maintained at no expense to the users, Dr. May paying all expenses connected with it. Many improvements have been made in it, such as improved lighting effects and fixtures, all of which have been installed at the Doctor's expense.

Dr. May is a veteran of the World war, having enlisted in the Medical Corps of the United States army. He was commissioned a first lieutenant and was assigned to the base hospital at Camp Lee, near Richmond, Virginia, where he served for seven months, being honorably discharged on December 16, 1918. He has always been an active supporter of the republican party and has represented the thirteenth ward in the city council for three terms, and has no opposition for reelection to a fourth term. This is not his first experience in city politics, as at the age of thirty years he represented the old eighth ward in the city council. He is a member of Collingwood Lodge, No. 457, F. & A. M.

Dr. May was married and had one child, Lucille, who died at the age of twenty-six years. He pays the highest possible tribute to his mother, who was a woman of strong character, many gracious qualities of head and heart, and whose kindliness and hospitality gained for her the love and admiration of all who knew her. At the age of eighty-three years she wrote a poem of ten verses and to the very last manifested a deep interest in the people and things about her. Dr. May is an able, skilled and successful physician, having enjoyed a large and remunerative practice during the years of his residence here, and to a marked degree holds the esteem and

confidence of his fellowmen. He is a member of the various medical societies and has honored his profession and his community by his noble and unselfish life.

FRED A. DURNWALD

One of the most up-to-date and prosperous automobile sales organizations in northwestern Ohio is operating under the name of the Palace Auto Sales Company, of Fremont, of which Fred A. Durnwald is president. This corporation, which specializes in the Buick line of cars, has made an enviable record and Mr. Durnwald has gained recognition as a man of marked business ability and discriminating judgment. He was born in Sandusky county in 1880 and is a son of Joseph and Rose Durnwald, the former a farmer by occupation.

Fred A. Durnwald received his educational training in the district schools and spent his early years on the home farm. At the age of nineteen he went to Vickery, Ohio, where he worked in a blacksmith shop until 1904, when he took a farrier's course in the Grand Rapids Veterinary College. He continued at the blacksmithing business until 1912, when he turned his attention to the automobile business, establishing the Palace Garage at Fremont. He had a well equipped repair shop and acted as agent for various lines of cars, meeting with encouraging success. He carried the business on alone until 1926, when he incorporated the Palace Auto Sales Company, of which he is president, his associates in the undertaking being H. C. Swartzlander and Melvin Vogt, the former vice president of the company. He has since devoted his main efforts to the sales of Buick cars. The company's territory includes Sandusky, Seneca and Ottawa counties, Melvin Vogt being in charge of their business at Tiffin and H. C. Swartzlander at Port Clinton. Mr. Durnwald has handled the Buick cars since 1912 and has sold many of them through this section of the state, while under the present organization the sales have greatly increased, until this is now one of the leading Buick agencies in northwestern Ohio. Forty-five men are employed in the organization and the business has steadily

grown through the years until now it requires several times the space originally occupied.

In 1918 Mr. Durnwald was united in marriage to Miss Grace Hetrick, of Fremont, daughter of A. D. and Celeste (Overmeyer) Hetrick, and they are the parents of a daughter, Frances, born in 1920. In his political affiliation Mr. Durnwald is a democrat, while fraternally he is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Columbus. He belongs to the Fremont Chamber of Commerce, in the various activities of which he has taken a part, and is regarded as one of his city's enterprising and dependable business men. He and his wife are earnest members of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church and their influence is given in favor of those things which are calculated to better the civic and moral conditions of their community. Mr. Durnwald is extremely popular throughout the circles of his acquaintance and is greatly respected by all who know him.

RABBI JOSEPH SAUL KORNFELD

Among the notable men of Toledo is numbered Rabbi Joseph Saul Kornfeld, who has achieved distinction as a diplomat, theologian, author and lecturer. A native of Austria-Hungary, he was born February 12, 1876, and in early childhood was brought to America by his parents, Herman and Emilie (Gross) Kornfeld. Following the completion of his public school training he entered the University of Cincinnati, from which he won the B. A. degree in 1898, and in the same year was ordained as rabbi by the Hebrew Union College. During 1905 and 1906 he was a student of Semitics at the University of Chicago, and he also attended McGill University at Montreal, Canada, specializing in English literature and history. He was a rabbi at Pine Bluff, Arkansas, from 1898 until 1904, and in 1900 he married Josephine Bluthenthal, of Pine Bluff. In 1904 he accepted a call from Temple Emanuel at Montreal, Canada, and in 1906 he was called to Columbus, Ohio, where he resided from 1907 until 1921, serving the congregation of B'nai Israel Temple during that period. Meanwhile he had become corresponding

secretary of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, filling the office from 1913 until 1915. While living in Columbus he figured prominently in civic affairs as one of the commissioners of the department of public recreation and social education and in 1913 was elected a member of the charter commission, doing much constructive work in these connections. His public spirit was also expressed by service on the Columbus board of education, of which he became a member in 1915 and president in 1918. He had become president of district No. 2, B'nai B'rith, in 1914 and a year later entered upon his career as a lecturer in association with the Redpath Chautauquas. Diplomatic honors came to him in 1921, when he was appointed by President Harding as envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Persia, a post which he filled with distinction. In 1924 he came to Toledo and has since been rabbi of the Collingwood Avenue temple. Along social lines he is connected with the Kit-Kat Club. A gifted writer, he has become well known as the author of a volume entitled "Ludwig Phillippson" and also various published sermons and addresses, notably: "The Survival of Israel," "The Bible in the Sunday School," "The Jew in History" and "Judaism in America." His mental endowments are of a high order, and his is the record of a strong and serviceable career, containing much that is of inspirational value. Since 1926 he has been a member of board of managers of the department of synagog and school extension of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

NOBLE BRYAN SHERCK

Noble B. Sherck, who is engaged in a general insurance business in Fremont, is one of this city's wide-awake and energetic business men and has been rewarded with a very satisfactory measure of success. Born in Seneca county, Ohio, in 1896, he is a son of David C. and Flora (Hensinger) Sherck, who are now retired and live in Clyde, Ohio. Mr. Sherck attended the public schools of Green Spring, graduating from high school in 1917, and then enlisted in the United States Coast Artillery Corps. He was made a sergeant and

was sent to Fortress Monroe, Virginia, for training, remaining there until the close of the war, in 1812, when he was honorably discharged. Returning to Tiffin, Ohio, he took a year's course in a business college, afterward taught school three years, then spent a year in the University of California. He next entered Ohio State University, where he pursued the commerce course for two years. In 1925, he engaged in the insurance business, securing the agency for the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company. He has since added other lines and is now conducting a general insurance business, winning success by enterprising methods.

In January, 1927, Mr. Sherck was united in mariage to Miss Grayce McGinnis, of Cleveland, Ohio, and they are the parents of a son, Philip E., born December 8, 1927. Mr. Sherck has always supported the democratic party. He is a member of Green Spring Lodge, No. 427, F. & A. M., the American Legion, the Lions Club and the Fremont Golf Club and is an extremely popular member of the circles in which he moves, being cordial and friendly in manner, sincere in motive and action and exemplifying a high type of citizenship.

JOHN DREITZLER

John Dreitzler, one of the leading citizens and worthy native sons of Seneca county, is now serving his fifth year as mayor of Tiffin, having been elected to that office as the candidate of the democratic party for three consecutive terms. He was born on a farm north of Tiffin on the 27th of July, 1881, his parents being Samuel and Margaret Elizabeth (Kassing) Dreitzler, both of whom are deceased. The paternal grandfather, Christopher Dreitzler, emigrated to the United States from Germany.

John Dreitzler supplemented his district school education by study in the Ohio Northern University at Ada and subsequently taught school for eleven terms, imparting readily and clearly to others the knowledge which he had acquired. Thereafter he devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits with good success until 1919. His activity in public affairs won him the favorable attention of his fellow townsmen, who

made him clerk of Loudon township, which position he filled very acceptably for twelve years. He was clerk of the courts of Seneca county for four years prior to being chosen mayor of Tiffin, in November, 1923, which office he is now filling for the third successive term. He is giving to the city a businesslike and progressive administration characterized by civic improvements of broad scope, and is able to obtain quick, decisive action in municipal matters. During his incumbency in office the resurfacing of two hundred and forty thousand yards of streets has been done, white way lighting systems have been installed and many other improvements made.

On the 6th of March, 1906, Mr. Dreitzler was united in marriage to Lelia Florence Kipka, daughter of Edward W. and Louise (Mertz) Kipka, of Fostoria, Ohio. Their children are three in number, namely: Louise E., Helen A. and Edward S. Mr. Dreitzler is a consistent member of the German Lutheran church, belongs to the Rotary Club and fraternally is identified with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Pythias. His life is exemplary in all respects and he has ever supported those interests which are calculated to uplift and benefit humanity, while his own high moral worth is deserving of the highest commendation.

JOHN F. BOWMAN

John F. Bowman, who heads a large and modern automobile plant as president of the J. F. Bowman Company, Lincoln and Ford dealers in Toledo, was born in Detroit, Michigan, October 2, 1883, and is a son of Alfred C. and Jessie (White) Bowman, the latter now deceased. The father was born in England and was reared and educated in that country and in Switzerland, coming to America in the latter part of the '60s, at which time he located in Detroit. For over half a century he was connected with the Grand Trunk Railway Company, filling various executive positions, but is now living retired, still retaining his residence in Detroit. His wife, who was born in Falmouth, England, was brought

to the United States by her parents when two years of age, the family settling in Albany, New York, and afterward removing to Detroit, where she was married. She became the mother of five children, three sons and two daughters, and she passed away May 23, 1922, at the age of sixty-two years.

John F. Bowman, who was the fourth in order of birth in the family, obtained a public and high school education in his native city, being graduated from the Detroit Central high school in 1902. He then obtained a position in the Commercial National Bank of Detroit, with which he remained for three years and during that time steadily worked his way upward from a minor job to that of teller. In 1904 he turned his attention to the automobile business, being first associated with the Olds Motor Works, with which he remained for several years. He was next made general sales manager with the Federal Motor Truck Company of Detroit and there continued until 1919, after which through a period of five years he was vice president of the Garford Motor Truck Company at Lima, Ohio. He severed that association in 1924 and came to Toledo, where he established his present business at 2111 Adams street. Although he began in a small way, he has developed one of the leading Ford agencies in northwestern Ohio, having a complete plant, while the annual sales now reach a gratifying figure.

On the 20th of April, 1910, in Detroit, Mr. Bowman was married to Miss Myrtle Beamer, a native of that city and a daughter of William H. and Florence (Turner) Beamer, the latter now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Bowman have one son, William B., who was born in Detroit, November 19, 1913. Mrs. Bowman is a member of the Women's Club and takes an active and helpful interest in church and philanthropic work.

Mr. Bowman, too, is well known in the club circles of Toledo, belonging to the Toledo, Heather Downs Country and Lions Clubs and to the Detroit Athletic Club, while formerly he was identified with the Detroit Boat Club and the Detroit Rotary Club. He is now identified with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and is interested in all projects that have to do with civic progress. He votes with the republican party and when leisure permits he turns to out-of-door sports, including

golf and boating, for his recreation. He and his wife are members of St. Mark's Episcopal church of Toledo, in which he has served as vestryman. Thus his interests cover a wide scope, having to do with all that makes for the physical, material and moral progress of the community. His business record is worthy of commendation, as he owes his success entirely to his own efforts, perseverance, determination and a laudable ambition carrying him steadily forward toward the goal of success.

THOMAS M. LEA

Dr. Thomas M. Lea, of Bowling Green, ranks among the leading dentists of Wood county and during the more than twenty-five years that he has been engaged in professional work here he has commanded a large practice, due to the careful and thorough attention which he has given to the needs of those who have patronized him.

The Doctor was born on a farm in Crawford county, Ohio, on the 23d of September, 1879, and is a son of Isaac P. and Mary R. (Mathers) Lea, the former of whom is a retired minister of the United Brethren church in Warren, this state. Thomas M. Lea received his elementary education in the Fostoria public schools and Fostoria Academy. He then entered the dental department of Ohio State University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1902. He immediately located in Bowling Green and entered upon the practice of his profession, in which he has been eminently successful. He has a nicely furnished and well equipped office at 134½ North Main street; has kept in close touch with the latest advances in dental practice and is regarded as absolutely dependable in his work.

On October 29, 1902, Dr. Lea was united in mariage to Miss Anne H. Poe, of Fostoria, Ohio. The Doctor gives his political support to the republican party and has shown a commendable interest in matters affecting the public welfare, being at the present time a member of the city board of health. He is a Mason, in which order he has received the degrees of both York and Scottish Rites; the Psi Omega col-

lege fraternity, and the Kiwanis Club, of which he is president and which he represented as a delegate to the national convention at Seattle, Washington, in the present year. He is affiliated with the Wood County Dental Society, the Northwestern Ohio Dental Society, the Ohio State Dental Society and the American Dental Association. He and his wife are earnest members of the Presbyterian church and are greatly interested in all benevolent and charitable causes. The Doctor is a director of the Equitable Savings & Loan Company. He is a veteran of the Spanish-American war, in which he participated in the Cuban campaign as a member of Company D, Sixth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry, and is now the adjutant of the local camp of Spanish War Veterans. He is a man of sterling character and consistent life, and his record since coming to Bowling Green has gained for him an exalted standing among the people of this community, who hold him in great esteem for his genuine worth as a man and citizen.

ALBERT JOHN KELTING

Albert John Kelting, prominent yachtsman and a leader in business circles in Toledo, passed away March 28, 1926. His fellow townsmen entertained for him warm and ofttimes affectionate regard because of his social nature and his genial qualities, while his business ability commanded for him the respect of those who knew him. Toledo numbered him among her native sons. He was born June 5, 1883, of the marriage of John and Lena (Pfund) Kelting, who came from Germany to the new world. Reared in his native city, he pursued a public school education, being a student in the Warren and afterward in the old Central high school. When his textbooks were put aside he became associated with his father in the wholesale fish business on Water street and a similar establishment was also conducted by them in Erie, Pennsylvania, their operations being carried on under the name of the Toledo Fish Company. The father passed away in November, 1912, and Arthur C., a brother of Albert J. Kelting, departed this life on the 11th of April, 1927. From

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the time he made his initial step in the business world Albert J. Kelting bent his energies to a thorough mastery of the trade in which he engaged and soon showed increasing powers in handling the intricate interests under his care. He was active in building up the business to substantial proportions and accordingly derived therefrom a gratifying annual income.

On the 17th of July, 1913, Mr. Kelting was married to Miss Katherine Weber, a daughter of Albert E. and Katherine (Kane) Weber, of Toledo. They became the parents of two sons, John Albert and Richard Paul.

Mr. Kelting had membership in St. Matthew's Lutheran church and he gave his political allegiance to the republican party. His interests centered in his family and he found his greatest happiness at his own fireside. He was also, however, fond of athletics, enjoying football and baseball, boating and yachting. In his high school days he was a noted athlete and belonged to the Yellow Jacket football team. He was a member of the Toledo Yacht Club and he was known throughout the Great Lakes region as a master in handling lake sports and lake craft. He had won a number of silver cups in catboat and ice-boat races and he took active part in various winter sports. He was always approachable, always genial, courteous and kindly and he made many friends. His sterling worth endeared him to all and when he passed from life at the comparatively early age of forty-two years his death was the occasion of deep regret to all who had been associated with him.

CHARLES ALLEN KROUT

As it is conceded that the most vitally important department of public service is that of education, so also is it recognized that the profession of teaching bears a relative value to society exceeded by no other calling, and particularly is this true of those who serve in a supervisory or executive capacity. Prof. C. A. Krout, who for nearly three decades has in an able and satisfactory manner filled the position of superintendent of the schools of Tiffin, Ohio, is a man of high attain-

ments, has a splendid record as an educator and commands the unqualified respect and confidence of the people of this community.

Mr. Krout was born in Morrow county, Ohio, on the 12th of March, 1862, and is a son of Jacob and Lovina (Rule) Krout, the former a native of Maryland and the latter of Pennsylvania and both now deceased. The father devoted the major portion of his life to agricultural pursuits, and also followed the carpenter trade to a considerable extent. C. A. Krout attended the public schools of his home community and graduated from the Chesterville high school, after which he went to Iowa, where he taught school one year. He then returned to his home county where he taught school for two years. He next entered Wittenberg College, at Springfield, Ohio, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1887, receiving also his Master's degree from his alma mater in 1890. He pursued graduate work at Harvard and Columbia Universities and then engaged in teaching, his first school in Ohio being at New Burlington, where he taught for two and a half years. In January, 1890, Prof. Krout came to Tiffin as a teacher in the high school and in the following year was made principal of that school, which position he held for ten years. He was then appointed superintendent of the city schools, in which capacity he is still serving. With a broad conception of the responsibilities and opportunities of the teacher, he has combined a deep personal love for and genuine interest in his life work, for which he had made thorough preparation, and has long held a place in the front rank of the successful educators of northwestern Ohio.

On June 25, 1895, Professor Krout was united in marriage to Miss Eva S. Bacher, of Tiffin, daughter of Jacob T. and Eliza (Rinker) Bacher. To Mr. and Mrs. Krout have been born two sons, John A., who is now assistant professor of history in Columbia University, New York city, and C. Vincent, who is connected with the Standard Sanitary Manufacturing Company at Richmond, California. Professor Krout is a Knight Templar Mason and belongs to the Knights of Pythias and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. Mr. Krout is a member of the United Luth-

eran church of America and his wife of the Reformed church of the United States and both give their wholehearted support to all worthy benevolent causes. Professor Krout has exerted a wide influence for righteousness in his community and for the promotion of those movements which tend to advance the public welfare along civic and moral lines. He served on the board of directors of Wittenberg College for twelve years, is a member of the board of trustees of the public library and a member of the Mohawk Country Club. A man of sterling character and attractive personality, he has made a host of warm and loyal friends throughout the community and is regarded as one of its representative men. The teachers of the Tiffin public schools presented to him a life membership in the National Education Association in 1923, and he is a member of the Ohio Educational Association and has served as president of the Northwestern Ohio Teachers Association.

LYMAN GEORGE RUPP

On the list of Toledo's able attorneys appears the name of Lyman G. Rupp, senior partner in the firm of Rupp & Hahn. He was born in Elliston, Ottawa county, Ohio, August 2, 1897, a son of Louis A. and Grace (Ames) Rupp. The father was born July 1, 1871, in Elliston, and his father was Gottlieb Rupp, whose birth occurred near Stuttgart, in Wurtemberg, Germany, in 1822. He crossed the Atlantic to the new world in the early '50s and settled in Ottawa county, Ohio, as one of its pioneers, there residing until his death, which occurred August 30, 1897, when he was seventy-five years of age. In early life he was a sailor but in later years successfully followed agricultural pursuits. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Christina Eber, was born near Stuttgart, Germany, February 20, 1837, and until her death, June 20, 1929, occupied the old homestead during the winter months and spent the summer seasons in Toledo. On coming to the United States she settled at Port Clinton, Ohio, and later became the wife of Gottlieb Rupp. They had a family

of three sons and three daughters, of whom two daughters are deceased.

Their son, Louis A. Rupp, pursued his education in the schools of Elliston and throughout his active life followed agricultural pursuits but is now living retired. Politically he has always been a stanch democrat and has taken a keen interest in the vital political questions and issues of the day. He served as justice of the peace in Benton township, Ottawa county, for several terms, also was township clerk, and he has been keenly interested in farm organization work. His religious faith is that of the German Reformed church. He married Grace Ames, whose father was a soldier of the Civil war, serving with Company I of the Twenty-first Ohio Infantry as a private. To Mr. and Mrs. Louis A. Rupp were born two children, the younger, Chester Pearl, dying November 4, 1899, when but two days old. Lawrence Rupp, a brother of Louis A. Rupp, was formerly probate judge of Ottawa county, served as superintendent of the schools of Rockyridge, was also justice of the peace there and served as chairman of the republican central committee. In a word he has been prominently identified with political and civic matters.

Lyman G. Rupp, after attending the country school at Elliston, was graduated from the Oak Harbor high school with the class of 1914. He next entered the University of Michigan and won the Bachelor of Arts degree on the completion of a classical course in 1918. He then became a law student there, gaining his LL. B. degree in 1920. After his graduation he came to Toledo and was first associated with the law firm of Denman, Kirkbride, Wilson & McCabe, continuing in that connection for fifteen months. He then formed a partnership with S. R. Urbanski under the firm style of Urbanski & Rupp, which association was maintained until 1925, when the junior partner withdrew and became a member of the firm of Schaal, Rupp & Hahn. Later changes in the partnership have led to the adoption of the present firm style of Rupp & Hahn. The firm specializes in real estate and probate work and their practice along these lines is extensive and of an important character. In early manhood Mr. Rupp engaged in selling real estate and thus partly paid

his way through college, devoting the summer months to the work and then resuming his studies with the opening of the school year in the autumn. The determination which he showed in acquiring his education has carried him steadily forward and brought him to a prominent place in professional circles. In addition to his professional activites Mr. Rupp is known in business circles as a director of the Alert Realty Company, the Raleigh Realty Company, the Sylvester Mortgage Company and the Personal Finance Company.

On the 14th of July, 1928, at Ann Arbor, Michigan, Mr. Rupp was married to Miss Ruth Wilson, who was born in Montague, Michigan, March 30, 1899, a daughter of David and Ruth (Brooks) Wilson, who were early settlers there. Mr. and Mrs. Rupp have a daughter, Ruthann Grace, born May 13, 1929. They reside at 2011 Clinton street and Mr. Rupp has his office in the Gardner building. He finds recreation in golf, tennis, bridge and squash, and has membership in the Toledo Club, Highland Meadows Golf Club and the Toledo Yacht Club. He belongs also to the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. Every male member of the Rupp family from the grandfather down to the present generation has been a member of the Masonic fraternity, and in keeping with the family record, Lyman G. Rupp has also become a loyal follower of the craft, belonging to Portage Lodge, F. & A. M., of Elmore; Oak Harbor Chapter, R. A. M.; Oak Harbor Council, R. & S. M.; and St. Omer Commandery, K. T. Along strictly professional lines he has connection with the Toledo, Lucas County and Ohio State Bar Associations, and no matter what his outside interests, his professional activities claim his attention first and his ability is widely recognized by the public as well as by his fellow attorneys in Toledo.

CHARLES A. BAER

As a pioneer upholsterer and enterprising business man Charles A. Baer was long a prominent figure in commercial circles of Toledo, winning that success which results from untiring effort, guided and inspired by singleness of purpose and high ideals of merchandising. Practically his entire life

was spent in this city, whose progress was a matter in which he took much personal pride, doing all in his power to further its growth and advancement.

A native of France, Mr. Baer was born in Milhausen, Alsace-Lorraine, November 20, 1865, and when but two years old was brought to America by his parents, Frederick and Salome (Froelich) Baer, who settled in Detroit, Michigan. In 1872 they established their home in Toledo, here spending their remaining years, and the father engaged in book-binding, a trade which he had learned in Germany, his native land. He was a member of the German Reformed church, while in politics he was a republican.

Coming to this city with his parents when a lad of seven, Charles A. Baer attended the Warren Street school and later took two Y. M. C. A. courses and also two Biblical courses. His knowledge of upholstering was obtained in the employ of Konent Brothers, of Toledo, and in 1889, when a young man of twenty-four, he embarked in the business in association with his brother, Lou Baer. The firm of Baer Brothers opened a shop on Michigan avenue, there remaining until 1902, when the partnership was terminated. At that time Charles A. Baer became the proprietor of Baer's Colonial shop at 231 Thirteenth street, where he continued until 1911, when the building was destroyed by fire, and he then removed to the corner of Madison and Michigan streets. His next quarters were in the 1400 block on Washington avenue, whence he later removed to 1815 Adams street, there conducting the Charles A. Baer Colonial Shop until 1919, when he transferred his activities to 1821 Adams street, where he engaged in business until his death, which occurred May 17, 1929, in his home at 669 Woodland avenue. His work as an upholsterer was characterized by the skill of an expert and with the passing years his business constantly expanded owing to his capable management, prompt and courteous service and honest dealing. From 1922 until January 1, 1929, his son, Harold E. Baer, was a partner in the firm. On the 1st of January, 1929, the name was changed to the present style of the Charles A. Baer & Sons Upholstering Company, now composed of Harold E. and Norman F. Baer, who are successfully continuing the business founded by their father.

In addition to upholstering they handle new furniture and manufacture furniture for living rooms, while they also do repairing. Their establishment contains every modern appliance for facilitating the work, which is high class in every particular. The sons are young men of keen sagacity, thoroughly proficient in the lines in which they specialize, and under their able direction the continued growth of the business is assured.

On the 20th of February, 1889, Charles A. Baer was married in Adrian, Michigan, to Miss Margaret K. Goetz, who was born in Riga, that state, in August, 1864, and still occupies the family home in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Baer were the parents of ten children, of whom three died in infancy. Walter Charles was born November 30, 1890, and passed away in 1924. Elmer J., born July 18, 1892, was graduated from the school of music of Northwestern University, which also conferred upon him the A. B. degree. During the World war he served overseas and is now a religious and educational director of Toledo. Clarence L., born March 14, 1897, is associated with the Overland Company of Toledo but lives in Temperance, Michigan. During the war he was sent to Camp Sherman, Ohio, for training but was not called upon for active military duty. Harold E., born February 6, 1899, is a member of the Charles A. Baer's Sons Upholstering Company and an overseas veteran. Helena M., born February 11, 1901, was graduated from the nurses' training school of Flower Hospital of Toledo and received the A. B. degree from Otterbein College in 1929. Milton G., born February 9, 1903, is manager of the Crystal Springs Water Company of Tampa, Florida. Norman F. was born January 30, 1905, and is a member of the Charles A. Baer's Sons Upholstering Company.

Early in life Charles A. Baer united with the German Reformed church, but later joined the Memorial United Brethren church, of which he was a trustee from the time of its organization until his death. For a number of years he was a teacher in its Sunday school, contributing liberally of his time and means toward the maintenance of the church and the promotion of its influence. He lent the weight of his support to all worthy public projects and was ever eager to advance the welfare of his city along both material and moral

lines. In politics he was a stanch republican but never sought office as a reward for party fealty. He belonged to the German-American Benevolent Society and was keenly interested in its activities. The life record of Charles A. Baer constituted a fine example of manliness, industry and good citizenship. He was true to the ties of home and friendship, and his passing brought deep sorrow to all who enjoyed the privilege of knowing him.

CARL V. GILBERT

Carl V. Gilbert, of Fremont, who owns and operates the largest job printing establishment in Sandusky county, deserves much credit for what he has accomplished in a business way, for his success has been gained entirely through his persistent industry, backed by sound common sense and controlled by right principles, and today he stands among the prosperous and respected business men of Fremont. Mr. Gilbert was born in Fremont, in 1881, and is a son of Adam and Lucy Gilbert. He received his education in the public schools and the Lutheran Orphans' Home in Richmond, Indiana. He began to learn the printing trade with the Simple Account Salesbook Company, with which he remained for five years, and also was employed in the printing office of Mr. Beelman in Fremont. In 1917 Mr. Gilbert bought the business from his employer and has carried it on to the present time. His shop is well equipped with modern machinery and material, and, being an expert printer and a man of excellent taste, the quality of his work is of a grade that has commended it to the lovers of good printing. Promptness and efficiency have characterized his business methods, whereby he is well established in public confidence, and he is doing an extensive business throughout Sandusky county.

In 1905 Mr. Gilbert was united in marriage to Miss Bessie Campbell, of Fremont. She died leaving a daughter, Dorothy Jennie, who is a graduate of the Fremont high school and is still at home. In his political views Mr. Gilbert is an ardent republican and has shown a live interest in all matters affecting the welfare and progress of his city and county. He

is a member of Brainard Lodge, No. 336, F. & A. M., of which he is a past master; Fremont Chapter, No. 64, R. A. M., of which he is a past high priest; Fremont Council, No. 64, R. & S. M., of which he is a past thrice illustrious master; Fremont Commandery, No. 56, K. T., of which he is the present eminent commander; Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Toledo. He also belongs to Fremont Lodge, No. 169, B. P. O. E., and the Kiwanis Club. He is particularly interested in the work of the Masonic order, the sublime precepts of which he has exemplified in his life. A man of sincere purpose, frank and straightforward in manner and cordial and friendly in his social relations, he is held in high regard throughout the community and is accounted one of its best citizens.

DETHLEF MOLLGAARD

Dethlef Mollgaard, of Woodville, possesses to a marked degree the essential qualities of the successful funeral director and the prosperity which has crowned his efforts has been gained through his persistent and well ordered activities, backed by sound common sense in all of his affairs. Born in Ottawa county, Ohio, in 1874, he is a son of Louis and Ingeborg (Tudsen) Mollgaard, who were natives of the Danish province of Germany. The father came to the United States in 1872, locating in Ottawa county, Ohio, and the mother came to this country in the following year, their marriage occurring soon afterward. Both parents are deceased, the father dying March 15, 1898, and the mother, who spent her later years in Woodville, passing away May 23, 1925.

Dethlef Mollgaard received his education in the grade and high schools of Woodville, after which he attended the Barnes School of Embalming in Chicago, and became a licensed embalmer in 1910. However, he had previously had experience in the undertaking business, having gone to work at Woodville, March 18, 1889, for M. G. Veh, who is now located in Gibsonburg. He sold out at Woodville to F. L. Nieman, whose son, Henry Nieman, now runs the business, and Mr. Mollgaard has been manager of this establishment since 1908, a

period of twenty years. The firm carries a complete line of furniture, and has a well equipped and nicely furnished undertaking department. Mr. Mollgaard is courteous and kindly in his relations with those who engage his services, performs his duties in a thoroughly satisfactory manner, and is regarded as one of the most efficient undertakers in this locality.

On November 26, 1902, Mr. Mollgaard was united in marriage to Miss Sophia Harmeyer, of Woodville township, this county, and to them have been born two sons: Alton, who is employed as a clerk in the office of the Pennsylvania Railroad at Woodville, and who, on March 15, 1928, was married to Miss Lucile Holley, of Woodville; and Elmer, who is associated with his father in the undertaking business. Mr. Mollgaard is a member of the Ohio State Funeral Directors Association and the National Funeral Directors Association. He belongs to the Lutheran church, is a member of the Exchange Club and is active in all matters relating to the welfare and prosperity of his community. He gives his political support to the democratic party. Mr. Mollgaard has always given his best efforts to his profession, in which he is efficient and capable, and his courtesy and kindliness in looking after the comfort and welfare of those whom he serves has gained for him their appreciation and gratitude, while throughout the community he commands uniform respect and good will.

LOUIS ROBERT EFFLER, M. D.

Dr. Louis Robert Effler, a well known physician and writer and one of Toledo's distinguished sons, was born December 9, 1888, and represents an old and prominent family of the city. His father, Jacob Effler, was a native of Germany, and the mother, Alice (Leibius) Effler, was born in Toledo. They were descended from early German pioneer stock which built up this territory of northwestern Ohio and whose influence is felt even today.

Dr. Effler was a pupil in St. Mary's grammar school and St. John's high school. Later he matriculated in St. John's College, a Toledo institution of learning, from which he won

DR. LOUIS R. EFFLER

the A. B. degree in 1909 and that of A. M. in 1914. For two years he was a medical student at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor and completed his course in New York city, receiving the M. D. degree from Columbia University in 1913. After his graduation Dr. Effler began his professional career in New York city, where he practiced successfully until 1917, and then entered the service of his country. He was in training at Fort Riley, Kansas, and won the commission of first lieutenant in the medical corps of the United States army. Immediately afterward he was transferred to the ear, nose and throat section of the base hospital at Camp Sherman, Chillicothe, Ohio, and served in this department under Major C. R. Holmes for one year, winning a captaincy during that period. In 1918 he was ordered overseas and detailed for duty as camp surgeon at Camp Capellette, base section No. 6, at Marseilles, France. While in that country he was recommended for promotion to the rank of major but was honorably discharged in August, 1919, before the commission was carried into effect. In the same year Dr. Effler came to Toledo and here he has since made his home, devoting his attention to the treatment of diseases of the eye, ear, nose and throat. His practice is extensive and he is regarded as one of the city's foremost specialists. He maintains an office at No. 222 Michigan street and also has business interests of importance, being part owner of "The Pantry," a high-class restaurant, located at Seventeenth and Jefferson streets in Toledo.

Dr. Effler was married October 4, 1914, in New York city to Miss Marie Kennelly, who was born April 1, 1887, in that city, of which her parents, William H. and Norah (Clifford) Kennelly, are also natives. Her father has reached the seventy-fifth milestone on life's journey, and her mother is seventy-three years of age. Dr. and Mrs. Effler have two children: Donald and Doris, aged respectively thirteen and nine years.

Dr. Effler adheres to the Catholic faith and is affiliated with the Cathedral of the Holy Rosary. As a remedy for the evils wrought by the Volstead act he favors beer and light wines and supported Alfred E. Smith for the presidency in 1928. He is a member of Toledo Club. Dr. and Mrs. Effler

are devotees of golf and belong to the Inverness Club. He is also a member of the Hole-in-One Club. Along fraternal lines he is connected with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Since 1920 he has been secretary of the staff of Mercy Hospital and from 1924 to 1926 was vice president of the Toledo Academy of Medicine, which he represented for two years thereafter as a director of its department of education. He is also a member of the Lucas County and Ohio State Medical Societies and has been honored with a fellowship in the American Medical Association. Dr. Effler's hobby is writing, for which he has a special gift. He created "Said By Toledo Doctors," a column appearing daily on the editorial page of the Toledo Times, and was also the originator of "Education Echoes," a page appearing monthly in the Bulletin of the Toledo Academy of Medicine. He is the author of a recently published book entitled "Three Minute Medicine" and wrote the medical chapter in the historical volume of this work, "Story of the Maumee Valley, Toledo and the Sandusky Region." Dr. Effler is learned in the science of medicine and maintains to a high degree the dignity and honor of his profession.

LOUIS F. SCHROEDER

An ably managed, rapidly growing business is the visible evidence of the initiative spirit and administrative power of Louis F. Schroeder, president of the Federal Pipe & Supply Company and one of Toledo's self-made men. He was born in this city, May 3, 1881, a son of Charles and Caroline (Merce) Schroeder, natives of Germany. The father was born January 11, 1849, and received his education in Germany. In 1870 he deserted from the German army, discarding his uniform while on board the ship, and made a safe entry into the United States. He came direct to Toledo, joining relatives who had settled in the city, and here spent the remainder of his life. For many years he was a member of the firm of E. M. Kean & Company, wholesale commission merchants and business men of high standing. Mr. Schroeder gave his political support to the republican party and was

one of the organizers of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, now located on Erie street near Adams. He attained the age of seventy years, passing away in March, 1919. His wife was born near the city of Berlin and in 1871 came to America with her parents, who established their home in Toledo. Her marriage was solemnized in this city and in 1921, when sixty-six years of age, she was called to her final rest. She was the mother of five children: Louise and Frederick, deceased; and Louis F., William and Christian, all residents of Toledo.

Louis F. Schroeder attended the public schools until he reached the age of twelve, when he became a wage earner, starting as a messenger boy with a salary of five dollars per month, and was thus employed for two years. When fourteen he secured a position of office boy with the old Shaw-Kendell Company, which later became the National Supply Company, and remained with that firm until 1910. At that time he was made assistant manager of the Cleveland branch of the Standard Sanitary Manufacturing Company and in January, 1915, was transferred to Toledo, continuing in the same capacity. Later he was made director of sales and in 1918 went to Milwaukee as manager of the Wisconsin division. For five years he successfully conducted that branch of the business but in 1923 returned to Toledo, organizing the Federal Pipe & Supply Company, of which he has since been president and general manager. The plant is located on Shepard, Jackson and Eleventh streets and covers twenty-five thousand square feet. The company has an average force of twenty employes and its ramifying trade relations extend throughout northwestern Ohio and southern Michigan. In the conduct of the business Mr. Schroeder brings to bear broad experience as an executive and keen powers of discernment. He has fostered the growth of the industry by the maintenance of a high standard of production. He is also a stockholder in the Security Savings Bank & Trust Company of this city.

Mr. Schroeder was married November 4, 1903, in Toledo to Miss Emma Schultz, a native of the city and a daughter of Joseph and Dorothy Schultz. Mr. and Mrs. Schroeder have two sons: Norman William, who was born in Toledo,

June 19, 1905, and is associated with the Federal Pipe & Supply Company; and Ralph Christian, who was born February 1, 1907, and is also associated with his father in business. The family resides at No. 4205 Overland parkway and are affiliated with the Augsburg Lutheran church in West Toledo.

Mr. Schroeder is identified with the Knights of Pythias and has attained the thirty-second degree in Masonry, belonging to Sanford Collins Lodge, No. 396, F. & A. M., and to the chapter, council, commandery and Shrine. He is identified with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Round Table Luncheon Club, and both he and his wife are connected with the Sylvania Country Club. They are enthusiastic golfers and Mrs. Schroeder is a skilful player. She is also a member of the Woman's Club of Toledo, the Shrine Club, the Eastern Star and the Royal Neighbors. A considerable portion of her time is devoted to religious and philanthropic work and as president of the Visiting Ladies Association of the Lutheran Orphanage she has accomplished much good. Mr. Schroeder is a stanch republican but has never aspired to political office, preferring to discharge the duties of citizenship in a private capacity. He enjoys fishing and other outdoor sports and also derives much pleasure from the reading of good literature. He is broad in his views, progressive in his standards, and the guiding axiom of his life has been hard work and a square deal to everyone.

LOUIS O'CONNELL

For over forty years Louis O'Connell has been actively engaged in business in Tiffin, Ohio, being one of its largest and most reliable dealers in coal and builders' supplies. He has also built up a large business in the making and selling of concrete burial vaults. Flattering success has rewarded his efforts in those several lines of endeavor.

Mr. O'Connell was born in Tiffin, Ohio, September 1, 1867, and is a son of Edward and Bridget (Murray) O'Connell, both of whom are deceased. He was educated in the public schools of that city and about 1885 became engaged in the coal and hay business, the latter activity having been dropped

some years ago. While handling hay he was a prominent representative in that business, baling enormous quantities, and during the late war he compressed over twenty thousand tons for shipment overseas.

Possibly Mr. O'Connell's most positive identification is with the coal business. As vice president of the Michigan, Ohio, Indiana Coal Association he has long been a forceful figure in that industry in the state of Ohio. For twenty years the business was carried on as a private concern but on February 22, 1906, the Louis O'Connell Company was incorporated. The company has a large and well equipped coal-yard, carrying heavy stocks and insuring satisfactory service and by fair prices a strong hold on the community's patronage has been secured. Mr. O'Connell's place in the coal business was especially beneficial to Tiffin and vicinity during the fuel shortage of 1917, his knowledge and integrity enabling him to meet a serious condition which relieved much suffering and which placed him in high local regard.

Several years back this company commenced to handle building supplies in such quantities as to become recognized in that activity. The extension to this line has proved a profitable one and Mr. O'Connell's wide acquaintanceship has readily given his company an estimable status as a distributor of building materials. He is a member of the National Builders Supply Association and formerly occupied the office of the governor of district No. 6, Ohio Builders Supply Association. The Louis O'Connell Company is also engaged in the manufacture and sale of reinforced concrete burial vaults distributing through five counties, the superior qualities of their vaults having gained a wide and favorable reputation.

On July 3, 1915, Mr. O'Connell was united in marriage to Miss Bertha Dutt, of Tiffin, Ohio, who has taken an active part in the conduct of the business and has been a valuable assistant in its management. In municipal affairs Mr. O'Connell has always shown distinct interest and is extremely sympathetic to anything making for the betterment of his home community. He is a member of the Masonic order, in which he has received the degrees of both the York and Scottish Rites, and the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, the Benevolent

and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias and the Junior Order United American Mechanics. He also is a member of the Exchange Club and Chamber of Commerce, being past president of the last named body. Because of his large success, his friendly and agreeable manner and the high type of his citizenship, he commands to a marked degree the respect and esteem of his fellowmen.

WILLIAM RYAN

For two decades William Ryan was numbered among Toledo's leading business men, his activities in connection with the retail lumber trade having been on an extensive scale and crowned with a measure of success that bore indisputable evidence of his acumen, judgment and energy. He was a man of strong character, indomitable persistence in carrying forward his business affairs and an integrity of purpose and action which gained for him the highest degree of public esteem, so that his death, which occurred on March 1, 1925, was regarded as a distinct loss to his community.

Mr. Ryan was born in Michigan on the 11th of April, 1861, and was there reared and educated. He early became identified with the lumber business and was the owner of important milling interests in the Saginaw district of Michigan. After a number of years in that line, he turned his attention to the retail lumber business, to which end he came to Toledo in 1895 and established the West Toledo Lumber Company, which he incorporated two years later. This proved a very successful enterprise and he continued at the head of the business until his death. He was prominent in lumber circles, having served for three years as president of the Ohio Retail Lumber Dealers Association and at one time was a member of the board of directors of the National Retail Lumber Dealers Association. He was a man of fine personal qualities, made a favorable impression on all with whom he came in contact, and commanded to a marked degree the esteem and confidence of his fellowmen. Mr. Ryan was united in marriage to Miss Mary Tuhy, of Toledo, and to them were

born four children: Arthur W., Harold T., Genevieve and Gerald M.

Arthur W. Ryan was born in Saginaw, Michigan, August 23, 1893, and received his early education in the public and parochial schools of Toledo. After completing a course in St. Francis de Sales School, he entered the law school of Notre Dame University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1914. In November of that year he was admitted to the bar and has since engaged in the general practice of law in Toledo. He is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and maintains professional affiliation with the Toledo Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association. He is a veteran of the World war, having served from December, 1917, to January, 1919, in the signal corps of the aviation department, and is now a member of the American Legion.

Harold T. Ryan was born in Saginaw, Michigan, August 17, 1895, and attended the public and parochial schools of Toledo. He then entered St. John's College, Toledo, where he pursued a classical course and was graduated in 1914. Later he took up the study of law, attending night sessions at his alma mater, but afterward became identified with his father's lumber business. At his father's death he took charge of the West Toledo Lumber Company, which is now superseded by a general investment business in connection with the estate. One phase of this business is the Carrollton Realty Company, of which Mr. Ryan is vice president. On February 18, 1922, he was united in marriage to Miss Miriam Bechtel, of Toledo and they are the parents of a daughter, Carol. Mr. Ryan enlisted for service in the World war on July 23, 1917, becoming a member of Battery B, One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Field Artillery, Thirty-seventh Division, with which command he saw active service overseas. He was honorably discharged April 11, 1919, and is now a member of the American Legion. He also belongs to the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, and his religious faith is that of the Roman Catholic church.

Gerald M. Ryan was born in Toledo, Ohio, March 29, 1903, received his early educational training in the public and parochial schools and completed the classical course in

St. John's College, Toledo. He then entered the law school of the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1926. In July of that year he was admitted to the bar and is now engaged in the practice of law in Toledo. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, is affiliated with the Toledo Bar Association and belongs to the Roman Catholic church.

The three sons have honored their parents by their honorable and successful careers and are numbered among the worthy and respected citizens of Toledo, showing a public-spirited interest in the progress and welfare of their city and standing for all that is best in the life of the community. They are men of cordial and sincere manner and are deservedly popular in their respective social circles.

WILLIS C. KNISELY

Like many successful attorneys, Willis C. Knisely used educational work as a stepping-stone to his legal career and is accorded a position of prominence at the Toledo bar. He was born in Sandusky township, Crawford county, Ohio, August 1, 1894, and is a son of John W. and Sarah Elizabeth (Freese) Knisely. The Knisely family was established in America by three brothers, of whom two remained in the east, one settling in New York and the other in the state of Pennsylvania. The third migrated to Ohio and founded the branch of the family to which Willis C. Knisely belongs. His grandfather, John Knisely, was of German, Scotch and English descent and became one of the pioneer settlers of Crawford county. He married Miss Elizabeth Esterline and they were the parents of John W. Knisely, who was born in Sandusky township June 9, 1855. During his youth he aided his father in tilling the soil and chose the career of an agriculturist. He was long numbered among the progressive farmers of Crawford county and is now enjoying a well earned rest, maintaining his residence at North Robinson, Ohio. For a number of years he served on the board of education and filled several township offices, to which he was elected on the democratic ticket. His wife was born in Wyandot

county, Ohio, June 10, 1857. Her father, Adam Freese, was a pioneer settler of that county and of German lineage. Mrs. Knisely was a devoted wife and mother and in April, 1928, when seventy-one years of age, was called to her final rest. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Knisely, namely: Howard V. L., a physician of Toledo; Morris S. W., whose home is in Crawford county; Roy A. H., also a physician of Toledo; Harter M. D., deceased; and Willis C.

Willis C. Knisely was a pupil in the public schools of his native county and pursued his advanced studies in the Ohio State University, from which he was graduated in 1917 with the degree of LL. B. Soon afterward he enlisted in the United States Naval Reserve Corps and was sent to Eastleigh, England, where he was stationed for nine months. For a period of three years he taught school in Crawford county but after his admission to the bar located in Toledo. At first he was associated with Edward Heydinger under the style of Knisely & Heydinger but in 1919 the partnership was dissolved. Mr. Knisely has since been alone and enjoys a large practice, being well versed in the minutiae of the law and devoting great care to the preparation of his cases, which are presented with clearness, logic and force.

Mr. Knisely was married at Elliston, Ohio, in 1920 to Miss Edith Beshalske, who was born in that town and is a daughter of Charles and Mary (Dieterman) Beshalske, natives of Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Knisely have become the parents of three children: Robert Randall, who was born December 22, 1921, in Toledo; Jeannette Marie, born January 15, 1923; and Eleanore Mae, born April 15, 1928. The residence of the family is at No. 621 White street and Mr. Knisely's office is located in the Ohio building.

He is an independent voter, choosing the issues in national affairs and at local elections supporting the candidate whom he considers best qualified for office. He is a Lutheran in religious faith. His Masonic affiliations are with Sanford L. Collins Lodge, No. 396, F. & A. M.; Toledo Chapter, No. 161, R. A. M.; Gwynn Council, No. 83, R. & S. M.; Marion Commandery, No. 636, K. T.; Toledo Consistory, A. & A. S. R.; and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He is a member of the city and county bar associations and enjoys hunting

and other outdoor sports. That Mr. Knisely is a young man of determined purpose and exceptional force of character is indicated by the fact that he worked his way through college, and the qualities to which he owes his success have established him high in public esteem.

CHARLES L. FLETCHER

At an early age Charles L. Fletcher manifested that spirit of energy and self-reliance which spurs the individual ever onward and upward, and throughout life he has continued an earnest, conscientious worker, thus progressing steadily. He was long identified with the railroad business and is now grand deputy of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He is one of the foremost representatives of the order in this part of the country and has made his home in Toledo for twenty-eight years.

A native of Sandusky, Ohio, Mr. Fletcher was born January 11, 1878, and is of English lineage. The American progenitor of the family, came to this country prior to the Revolutionary war and located in what is now Parkertown, Erie county, Ohio. He hewed a farm out of the wilderness and was one of the earliest agriculturists of that district.

William Seneca Fletcher, the father of Charles L. Fletcher, was born May 19, 1834, in Parkertown, and one of his boyhood friends and companions was Thomas A. Edison, the noted inventor. At the age of twenty-seven he enlisted in the Union army, joining the Seventy-second Regiment of Ohio Volunteer Infantry and served from the beginning until the close of the war. He was confined for some time in a Confederate prison, suffering many hardships and privations. When released from military duty he returned to Parkertown and engaged in the meat business throughout his active commercial career. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and gave his political support to the democratic party, while in religious faith he was a Quaker. Mr. Fletcher remained in Parkertown until his death, which occurred on the 20th of September, 1919, when he was eighty-five years of age. His wife, Sarah Frances (Haddock)

CHARLES L. FLETCHER

Fletcher, was born at Hung Chung on Long Island in 1834 and was a member of a New York state family of English origin. At the age of fourteen she came to Ohio with her parents, who settled in Sandusky, and her education was completed in that city, in which she remained until her marriage. She attained the advanced age of ninety-three years, passing away February 6, 1927. To Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher were born eight sons, of whom four survive: William, Frank Burton, Charles L. and Harry Arthur. All except the subject of this sketch are residents of Sandusky and associated together in business.

Charles L. Fletcher attended the public schools of his native city and when a boy of fourteen became a wage earner, acting as collector for an ice company of Sandusky. He started at a salary of fifteen dollars per month and remained with the same company until 1900, at which time he was receiving a monthly stipend of sixty dollars. On the 1st of January, 1901, he came to Toledo and entered the service of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. He was made a locomotive fireman and spent four years and eight months with the company. At the time of his resignation he received a fine recommendation from Robert Palmer, road foreman of engines. Mr. Fletcher was next a brakeman for the Toledo & Ohio Central Railroad Company and at the end of fourteen months was promoted by L. B. Chadwick, assistant superintendent, to the position of conductor, which he filled until 1924. He then became connected with the Acme Coal & Supply Company and remained with the firm until August 1, 1925, when he was made grand deputy of the Fraternal Order of Eagles. At one time he was the executive head of the state organization and for seven years has been president of Toledo Aerie, No. 197, whose membership has grown from eight hundred and fifty to forty-five hundred during that period. He has done notable work in behalf of the order and is ideally qualified for the high offices to which he has been called.

Mr. Fletcher was married April 17, 1900, in Sandusky to Miss Elizabeth M. Biglin, a native of that city and a daughter of George and Margaret (Metzger) Biglin, who now make their home in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher have three

children: Eloise, who was born December 10, 1904; and Myrel and Beryl, twins, born October 4, 1910.

The family reside at No. 906 Toronto avenue and Mr. Fletcher's office is at No. 440 Erie street. In politics he is a republican, and his religious belief is indicated by his affiliation with the English Lutheran church. Along fraternal lines he is connected with the Loyal Order of Moose and the Knights & Ladies of Security. He is a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and for many years was its chairman for the Toledo & Ohio Central (New York Central Lines) system. Mrs. Fletcher's father is identified with the Foresters of America and she is a member of the woman's auxiliary of that organization, also with the same branches of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen. Mr. Fletcher is an enthusiastic hunter and fisherman and also enjoys football, baseball and other outdoor sports. He has been loyal to every trust reposed in him and faithful to every duty and stands deservedly high in the esteem of his fellowmen.

CHESTER GEORGE EGGER, M. D.

One of the ablest and most successful medical practitioners in Sandusky county is Dr. Chester George Egger, of Woodville, who enjoys a large and representative practice and has gained a wide reputation for his ability to combat human ailments. He was born in Detroit, Michigan, in 1896, and is a son of F. F. and Amelia (Thow) Egger, of Toledo, Ohio. He received his public and high school education in the latter city, after which he took the course in pharmacy in Toledo University and graduated in 1916. He then entered Ohio State University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Chemistry in 1920, and continuing his studies in the medical school of that institution, was graduated with the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1922. He served one year as interne in St. Vincent's Hospital of Toledo, and in 1923 came to Woodville and entered upon the practice of his profession. He has a nicely furnished and well equipped office and his record as a practitioner since

locating here has established him firmly in the confidence and respect of the people of this community. He is a member of the medical staff of St. Vincent's Hospital, Toledo, and is a member of the Lucas County Medical Society, the Sandusky County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

In 1923 Dr. Egger was united in marriage to Miss Lucile Bullist, of Van Wert, Ohio, and they are the parents of two children, Ellen Jane, born in May, 1923, and Virginia, born in November, 1927. Dr. Egger is a member of York Lodge, No. 563, F. & A. M.; Columbus Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Aladdin Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Toledo, and Mrs. Egger is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, in the work of which she is greatly interested. The Doctor also belongs to the Alpha Kappa Kappa medical fraternity. He gives his political support to the republican party, belongs to the Woodville Exchange Club and has shown an effective interest in the civic affairs of his community. He is yet a young man and because of his ability, his deep interest in his profession and his determination to keep abreast of all advances made in medical science, his friends, and they are many, do not hesitate to prophesy for him a still more successful future.

GILBERT C. EDGINGTON

Gilbert C. Edgington, president of the B. A. Stevens Company, at 609 Monroe street, Toledo, is at the head of one of this city's oldest and most widely known industrial concerns, in the growth of which he has been a definite factor through his individual efforts. He was born in Chillicothe, Ohio, October 14, 1881, and is a son of William and Margaret (Freehour) Edgington. His father was a native of Chillicothe and followed the vocation of farming during his entire life. He enlisted for the Civil war, but was not called into the service. His father, John W. Edgington, served in the Union army; was taken prisoner and was confined in the Andersonville prison pen. After his release he returned to Ohio and lived here for some years. William and Margaret Edgington are deceased, the father having died many years

ago. They became the parents of seven children, all of whom are living.

Gilbert C. Edgington attended the public schools of Chillicothe and Circleville, graduating from high school at the latter place, after which he attended college one year. His studies were interrupted by the breaking out of the Spanish-American war, for which he enlisted in the Fourth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry. He was sent to Porto Rico, where he remained eight months, and was honorably discharged from the service at Columbus, Ohio, in the fall of 1898. In 1902 Mr. Edgington entered the employ of the B. A. Stevens Company as a shipping clerk, and during the following years, through his faithful and efficient service, he received successive promotions until, in 1919, he was made president of the company, in which capacity he is still serving. The company maintained its factory and offices at the same location for fifty-four years but in August, 1929, they moved their offices to 609 Monroe street. For over fifty years this concern has manufactured the Stevens Only-Tight Zero and Freezing Temperature doors. It has shipped its products not only to every state in the Union but to many foreign countries as well. For construction and efficiency these doors are considered the best on the market. The company was awarded a diploma by the Universal Exposition at St. Louis for the cold storage plant used by the department of agriculture at the exposition, and this company has received many orders from the United States government. The company also manufactures and installs all kinds of refrigerators for commercial plants, stores and homes.

On November 17, 1904, Mr. Edgington was united in marriage to Miss Emma Oelgeschlager, a native of Ohio and a daughter of Frederick and Marie Oelgeschlager, both of whom were born in Germany, whence they came to the United States in their youths and settled in Toledo. They now make their home with their daughter, Mrs. Edgington. To Mr. and Mrs. Edgington have been born five children, namely: Olga Marie, a professional nurse, who took a post-graduate course in Cleveland, Ohio, and spent three months in further study in Germany; Dorothy K., who is the private secretary of the Ewell Advertising Agency, of Toledo; Emma Marie,

private secretary to Carl Cotter, of the board of education of Toledo; Frederick, a student in Toledo University, in which he is majoring in electrical engineering and aviation, and Gilbert, who is attending school.

Mr. Edgington is a man of clear headed judgment, marked initiative ability and sterling integrity, attributes which have enabled him to achieve a splendid success in the business world, and he commands the genuine respect of all who know him.

PAUL WORTHINGTON KRIDLER

Paul W. Kridler, who is at the head of one of the oldest and most prosperous insurance agencies in Fremont, has long been prominent in the business, civic and fraternal affairs of this locality and is recognized as one of his city's most capable and influential citizens. Mr. Kridler was born in Fremont in 1891 and is a son of W. B. and Martha (Smith) Kridler. The father was for many years engaged in the insurance business, having established the present agency here in 1878, and during the half century of its existence it has always stood in the forefront of the concerns in its line here.

Paul W. Kridler received a good public school education and in boyhood became familiar with the insurance business through association with his father. Since taking over the agency he has shown an energetic and enterprising spirit, proving an aggressive and successful salesman and a capable business man, and is enjoying a splendid measure of prosperity. He is also a director and secretary of The H. B. Smith Building and Loan Company.

In 1917 Mr. Kridler was united in marriage to Miss Charlotte Ruth, of Elyria, Ohio, daughter of William H. and Emma (Ohler) Ruth. They are the parents of three children, William W., Robert B. and James P. Mr. Kridler is a stanch republican in his political views and is active in the affairs of his party, being chairman of the republican executive committee and president of the city council from 1926 to 1929. He is a member of Brainard Lodge, No. 336, F. & A. M., of which he is a past master; Fremont Chapter, No. 64,

R. A. M., of which he is a past high priest; Fremont Council, No. 64, R. & S. M., of which he is past thrice illustrious master; Fremont Commandery, No. 56, K. T., of which he is generalissimo; Toledo Consistory, A. and A. S. R., and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Toledo. He also belongs to Fremont Lodge No. 169, B. P. O. E., the Rotary Club, De Mars Club, the American Legion and the Chamber of Commerce, of which he is a director. Mr. Kridler is a veteran of the World war, having enlisted in the United States Navy in 1918, in which he served until after the close of the war, being honorably discharged in 1919. Mrs. Kridler is a member of the Coterie Club. Both are earnest members of the Presbyterian church and are sincerely interested in all matters concerning the welfare of their community. Mr. Kridler is a man of social nature, who enjoys marked popularity among his associates and is highly regarded throughout the city in which he lives.

CARL R. PETER

Carl R. Peter, alert, energetic and farsighted, is a fine type of the modern business man and exemplifies the spirit of progress in Fostoria, his native city. He was born June 4, 1881, a son of John A. and Lucy A. (Wade) Peter, and attended the local schools. His advanced studies were pursued in the Ohio Northern University, from which he won the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1913, and he was one of its football stars there. He also excelled in other sports and because of his prowess was chosen athletic director by his alma mater, acting in that capacity for three years after his graduation. On the expiration of that period he returned to Fostoria and entered the clothing business which had been founded by his father in 1877. John A. Peter passed away December 5, 1922, at which time his sons, Carl R. and A. B. Peter, took over the business and conducted it successfully until the death of the last named on September 29, 1926. Since then Carl R. Peter has been sole owner of the establishment and controls one of the oldest and largest clothing houses of the city, where the firm name has been synonymous

with enterprise and integrity for more than half a century. His comprehensive knowledge of the business is supplemented by executive force and good judgment, qualities inherited from his father, and his efforts have been manifestly resultant.

Mr. Peter was married January 13, 1913, to Miss Rhoenna Spees, of Cartersburg, Ohio, and they have become the parents of two sons, Richard and Carl, Jr. In politics Mr. Peter is a democrat and his religious views are in accord with the tenets of the First Reformed church, of which he is a consistent member. Along fraternal lines he is identified with the Order of Eagles, the Knights of Pythias, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. In mercantile circles of Fostoria he occupies an enviable position and the rules which govern his life are such as command respect and inspire strong and enduring regard.

GIDEON F. YOUNKMAN

Gideon F. Younkman, who for many years has occupied a leading place among the plumbing contractors of northwestern Ohio, is one of Fremont's representative residents, being energetic and successful in his business affairs and progressive and public spirited in his citizenship. Mr. Younkman was born here in 1875 and is a son of John C. and Christena (Matthias) Younkman. His father, who in early life had learned the trade of a stonecutter, later became prominently and successfully engaged in that line of business, and was also active and influential in local public affairs.

Gideon F. Younkman was reared at home and attended the public schools, after which, in 1886, he went to work for John Day, the nurseryman, with whom he remained during the greater part of the time for several years. Later he learned the trade of a stonecutter, at which he worked for some time, but finally decided to devote his attention to the plumbing business. To this end, he served an apprenticeship with John White. In 1902 he engaged in the plumbing business on his own account. During the subsequent years he has been accorded a goodly share of the business in his line in

this section of the state and enjoys the reputation of being a competent, painstaking and reliable plumber, evidences of the thorough character of his work being found throughout northwestern Ohio, in which locality he has handled many large and important contracts. He employs from five to forty men and has a large and well equipped shop in Fremont. He takes a justifiable pride in the promptness and efficiency of the service which he renders and is highly regarded in the business circles of his city.

In 1901 Mr. Younkman was united in marriage to Miss Amelia Hohenstein, of Seneca county, Ohio, daughter of Fred and Mary Elizabeth (Eiry) Hohenstein. They had two children, Cecil Raymond, deceased, and LaVanne, who was born in 1915 and is attending school. Mr. Younkman is a member of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Woodmen of the World and the Chamber of Commerce, in the work of which bodies he takes an active interest. The republican party receives his support and ever since attaining manhood he has taken a good citizen's interest in political and public affairs. Mrs. Younkman is a member of the Lutheran church and they both give their earnest support to those things which make for the betterment of the community. Kindly and affable, throughout the range of his acquaintance Mr. Younkman is held in the highest regard because of his agreeable personality and his genuine worth.

JOSEPH C. FAGAN

One of the most prominent members of the Masonic order in Toledo is Joseph C. Fagan, who is rendering capable service as secretary of the various bodies of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry, Valley of Toledo. He was born in Lexington, Michigan, on the 19th of April, 1886, a son of John and Elizabeth (Byrnes) Fagan. His father was born in Stanleyville, Ontario, Canada, and followed farming in Michigan during the greater part of his life, but in March, 1892, came to Toledo. He was a stanch democrat in his political alignment. He died in Toledo, Ohio. October 30, 1899.

His wife, who was born in Ontario, Canada, died in Toledo, Ohio, December 14, 1925.

Joseph C. Fagan received his early education in the schools of Toledo and later took special courses in mechanical engineering at the night school of the old Toledo high school and in the American Engineering School of this city. In 1900 he went to work as a shoe salesman for Rohr Brothers, with whom he remained until 1911, and then entered the engineering department of the Willys-Overland Company in Toledo, with which concern he was connected until 1920. In August, 1921, he became assistant secretary under Thomas B. Guittau, secretary of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite bodies, and in 1927, after the death of Mr. Guittau, he was promoted to his present position as secretary, the duties of which he is performing in a very able and acceptable manner.

On June 18, 1908, in Toledo, Mr. Fagan was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Mallon, who was born and reared in Toledo and is a daughter of Edward P. and Clara (Fleischer) Mallon. Both of her parents were born in Cincinnati, Ohio, and both passed away in Toledo. Mr. Mallon was foreman of the pressroom of the old Toledo Commercial, now the Toledo Times. Mr. and Mrs. Fagan are the parents of two children, Edward Mallon, born October 2, 1910, who is a graduate of Cherry grade and Scott high school and is now a student in Toledo University, and Elizabeth Mallon, born December 23, 1924.

In his political views Mr. Fagan is a republican and has taken an active interest in local public affairs, having served as deputy city clerk from February 19, 1921, to the present time. He is a member of Rubicon Lodge, No. 237, F. & A. M.; Fort Meigs Chapter, No. 29, R. A. M.; Toledo Council, No. 33, R. & S. M.; Toledo Commandery, No. 7, K. T.; Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite bodies of Freemasonry Valley of Toledo; O-ton-ta-la Grotto, M. O. V. P. E. R.; served as secretary 1923 to 1928, inclusive; Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; Royal Camp No. 3435, M. W. A.; and the Toledo Automobile Club. Mrs. Fagan was educated in the Toledo public schools and is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star, the Oriental Shrine and the White Shrine of Jerusalem. Mr. and Mrs. Fagan are earnest members of the Northminster Presbyte-

rian church. He is a man of sterling character, sincere manner and close devotion to the interests of the order with which he is officially identified. He has many warm friends throughout Toledo and is one of its worthy and dependable citizens.

JOHN FRANKLIN DECK

One of the leading funeral directors of Wood county is John Franklin Deck, of Bowling Green, where he has been in business for seventeen years, during which time he has gained a wide reputation for the capable and painstaking service which he renders. Mr. Deck was born in Union county, Pennsylvania, July 31, 1865, and is a son of John and Sarah (Klingman) Deck, who came to Sandusky county, Ohio, in 1865. Both are now deceased.

J. F. Deck has spent practically his entire life in Ohio, having been but a few months old when the family moved to this state. He received his educational training in the public schools and for about eight years devoted his attention to farming in Sandusky county, after which he traveled as a singer with Evangelist Manley Wilson for five years. In his earlier years he had some experience in the undertaking business and he now determined to make that his life work, to which end he entered the Cincinnati School of Embalming, taking a thorough course. He was employed at that line of work in Clyde, Ohio, until 1911 and in the following year came to Bowling Green and established funeral parlors. He has a well equipped establishment and during the years of his identification with the business here he has commanded his full share of the local patronage.

Mr. Deck was united in marriage to Miss Lillian Hoover, and to them has been born a daughter, Hildreth, who is the wife of William Wood, and they both are embalmers by profession. In his political views Mr. Deck is a republican, while his religious connection is with the United Brethren church. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and a memebr of Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He also belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Kiwanis Club, the Scottish Rite

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Club, the Bowling Green Automobile Club and the Commercial Club. He is a director of the Mutual Savings and Loan Company, and is a member of the Ohio State Embalmers Association. He is conscientious in all that he does, has led an upright life, has stood for the best things in the community and is held in high regard by all who know him.

DANIEL W. PHILO, M. D.

The medical profession in Fremont has an able representative in Dr. Daniel W. Philo, an X-ray specialist whose career has been marked by merited success in the treatment of disease, so that he now stands in the front rank of the skilled and popular physicians of Sandusky county. Dr. Philo was born in Wood county, Ohio, October 1, 1873, and is a son of Daniel and Caroline (Marks) Philo, who were farming folks and highly respected in their community.

Dr. Philo received a good public and high school education and, having decided to devote his life to the medical profession, he matriculated in the Toledo Medical College, from which he was graduated with the M. D. degree in 1906. He entered upon the practice of his profession in Woodville, where he remained until 1911, when he came to Fremont and has here built up an extensive practice. He has kept in close touch with the latest advances in medical science, and in 1922 took postgraduate work and also a course in X-ray at the University of Pennsylvania. He is a capable and trustworthy physician, who has devoted himself tirelessly to his life work. In addition to his private practice he is serving on the medical staff of the Memorial Hospital of Fremont. He has been successful in professional and business affairs and is a director of the Citizens Savings & Loan Company of Fremont. He is also the owner of two farms near the city of two hundred and twenty-five acres and farming and stock raising constitute his hobby and his recreation. He specializes in registered Holstein and Guernsey cattle and has thirty head of dairy stock.

On the 15th of April, 1903, Dr. Philo was united in marriage to Miss Mary Bloom, of Fremont, daughter of George

and Anna (Coleman) Bloom. The Doctor and his wife have an adopted son, Howard, who was born in 1910 and is a graduate of the Fremont high school.

Fraternally the Doctor is a Mason, belonging to Brainard Lodge, F. & A. M.; Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; and Medinah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Chicago. He also has membership in the Modern Woodmen. His wife is identified with the Eastern Star and is active in the social affairs of Fremont, where both enjoy well merited popularity. Doctor Philo during the World war enlisted in the United States Medical Corps, in which he was commissioned a captain. He was first stationed at Greenleaf, Georgia, in the Medical Officers Training School, then at Camp Sheridan, Alabama, and afterward at Fort Sheridan, Illinois, where he served until 1919, when he was honorably discharged with the rank of captain. He has membership in the American Legion, while Mrs. Philo is identified with the ladies' auxiliary of that organization. The Doctor is a man of strong character and marked individuality and is recognized throughout the community as one of its most public-spirited citizens and its leading professional men. He has always kept in close touch with the onward progress of the profession through his connection with the Sandusky County and Ohio State Medical Societies and the American Medical Association, and while he never hastily discards old and time-tried methods, he at the same time readily accepts the advanced ideas which are continually being brought to light through scientific research and investigation.

ISAAC MARION ROSENTHAL

The well developed powers and versatile talents of Isaac Marion Rosenthal have enabled him to register achievement as a merchant and manufacturer and in other walks of life. He has successfully engaged in the life insurance business in Toledo for more than twenty-five years and is a man of progressive spirit and generous impulses. He was born in Kokomo, Howard county, Indiana, July 12, 1857, a son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Deeter) Rosenthal.

The father was born in Nagelsberg, Wurtemberg, Germany, in 1816 and came to America when a mere lad. He had very little money and was not conversant with the English language, but with the spirit that emanated from many of our early ancestors, indomitable will and perseverance, he eventually rose in the mercantile world. In 1847, when gold was discovered in California, he joined a cavalcade of covered wagons and journeyed to the Pacific coast by the overland route. All of their oxen were killed by hostile Indians, but they were able to continue the journey with their mule train. The immigrants had several skirmishes with the savages and some members of their party were killed outright, while others died later from their wounds. After obtaining a start in life Samuel Rosenthal located in central Indiana and opened the first general store in Kokomo. About 1850 he was elected marshal of Howard county and was the first incumbent of that office.

In Zenia, Indiana, Samuel Rosenthal married Miss Elizabeth Deeter, who was born in Greenville, Ohio, in 1827 and was of English, German, French and Irish lineage. Her parents migrated to the Buckeye state from Pennsylvania, later becoming pioneers of Indiana, and their farm was located near the reservation of the Miami Indians. When this tribe was moved to another reservation Mr. Rosenthal purchased from the Indians a tract of seven thousand acres, paying twenty-five cents per acre. The first Haines automobile was constructed on part of this land, where now stands the glass works in the thriving city of Kokomo with a population of thirty-five thousand.

At the outbreak of the Civil war in 1861 Samuel Rosenthal and his eldest son, Joseph, at that time a youth of sixteen, enlisted in the Seventy-fifth Indiana Regiment. When Morgan's raiders were operating in the vicinity of Louisville, Kentucky, Mr. Rosenthal and his son were granted a furlough, and in that city they were visited by Mrs. Rosenthal and her youngest son, Isaac Marion, then a boy of six. In 1866 the family moved from Indianapolis, Indiana, to Rochester, New York, and the father engaged in the manufacture of men's clothing. He was a pioneer in that field and aided in establishing the city's reputation for making the finest ready-

to-wear apparel for men and boys. Mr. and Mrs. Rosenthal had a family of five children, three sons and two daughters, and two survive: Mrs. Henrietta Kerngood, who lives in Baltimore, Maryland; and Isaac Marion.

The last named obtained his early instruction in Kokomo, Indiana, and was a child of nine when his parents removed to Indianapolis. There he attended a grammar school from 1865 to 1867. He saw the body of Abraham Lincoln lying in state in the court house of Indianapolis while en route from New York city to Springfield, Illinois, where our martyred president found his last resting place. In 1867 Isaac M. Rosenthal went with the family to Rochester, New York, and later became a cadet at the Mount Pleasant Military Academy at Ossining-on-the-Hudson, graduating with the class of 1875. A year later he completed a course in the Hopkins Preparatory School at New Haven, Connecticut, and then matriculated in Yale University, becoming a member of the class of 1879. There he studied under Professor Lounsbury, who with the late President Wilson and President Emeritus Eliot of Harvard University were considered the outstanding English scholars of the age. Professor Walker, his teacher in political economy, and Professor Sumner of the academic department, were among the foremost political economists of that period. Professor Walker's treatise on this subject was studied by members of the freshman class. Previously he had been sent as a delegate to the Paris convention by the United States government to regulate the unit of values of money in exchange with other countries.

Leaving the university in his junior year, Mr. Rosenthal returned to Rochester and with his two brothers succeeded to the business of their father, who had passed away in 1877. From 1880 to 1884 I. M. Rosenthal was thus engaged in Rochester and then embarked in the wholesale clothing business in Toledo in association with his father-in-law and his wife's uncle. In 1892 Mr. Rosenthal started a chain of retail clothing stores in Toledo, Columbus and Cleveland, Ohio, but retired from the field of merchandising a year later and began the manufacture of oil well tools at Bradner, Ohio, also producing petroleum. In 1903 he was appointed district manager of the New England Mutual Life Insurance Com-

pany of Boston, Massachusetts, and has since represented the company in northwestern Ohio. He makes his headquarters in Toledo and has an office on the fifth floor of the Spitzer building. Mr. Rosenthal has a detailed knowledge of the business and is one of the most efficient and successful representatives of the corporation. There are at the present time twenty-three colleges teaching the fundamentals and technique of insurance, and many of the companies have their own schools of training. Mr. Rosenthal advocates that life underwriters should be compelled to take a course of study and pass an examination before they be allowed to sell life insurance, so that they may be as thoroughly qualified for their work as doctors and lawyers. He states that life insurance embraces medicine, insurance laws, salesmanship and a thorough understanding of humanity that we desire to benefit. He has seen the business of life insurance, sponsored by some four hundred legal reserve companies, grow in volume from ten billion to ninety billion dollars, and considers that next to the clergy it is the greatest philanthropy in the world and that without it the public institutions would have to be augmented many times in order to accommodate the widows and orphans.

On the 26th of March, 1884, Mr. Rosenthal was married in Toledo to Miss Jennie Bloch, who was born September 12, 1864, a daughter of Gotthilf and Fannie Bloch. Her father was born in Heckhingen, Germany, in 1838, and the mother in Syracuse, New York, in 1845. Gotthilf Bloch was the proprietor of a department store in Valparaiso, Indiana, and afterward engaged in manufacturing in Toledo, specializing in apparel for men and children. Like his father, who had been a Jewish rabbi in Germany, he was a man of keen intellect and scholarly attainments. In association with Professor Brown he founded Valparaiso University, in which his daughter Jennie became a student, and occupied the chair of German and moral philosophy in the institution. He was a student of history, biography and biblical lore and, although a layman, he often lectured in the pulpits of churches of different denominations, contending that all religions tended to the same aim, the glorification of God. Mr. Bloch served on the board of trustees of the Michigan state prison and was

sent by the government as a delegate to the Paris convention for the introduction of sanitary measures and leniency toward prisoners in penal institutions. He was the first president and organizer of the Tenth Street temple and of the Jewish burying ground at Woodland cemetery. Mr. Bloch was president of philanthropic and charitable associations for European refugees and their families and the needy of Toledo previous to the starting of the local Community Chest, and found true happiness in serving humanity. Mrs. Rosenthal has passed away and her two daughters, Nanette Whitten and Edna, are also deceased. She likewise became the mother of a son, Robert B., who resides at Hotel Secor, Toledo.

Mr. Rosenthal is a democrat in his political tendencies but has never been active in behalf of the party, and his religious views are indicated by his affiliation with the Collingwood Avenue temple. For recreation he turns to baseball, rowing, fishing and traveling. He is identified with the Glengarry Golf Club, the Progress Club, the Men's Club of the Collingwood Avenue temple, the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith, the Masonic fraternity, the Chamber of Commerce and the Toledo Life Insurance Underwriters Association. From 1914 until 1917 he served on the board of directors of the Toledo Travelers Life Insurance Company, which was formerly the Toledo Traveling Men's Association. In 1914 he converted this into a legal reserve life insurance company, which is the only life insurance company with its home office in Toledo. He was influenced by the fact many of the members of the association had become impaired risks, and their families would be left without protection unless the organization was placed on a permanent basis. Mr. Rosenthal spent two years in the accomplishment of his purpose, making the rates of premiums for the older members. While a number of assessment companies have gone over to life insurance companies, there is no record of a fraternal assessment association ever before having done so. In 1914 Mr. Rosenthal started the local order of B'nai B'rith, No. 183, of which he was made president, and it now has a membership of eight hundred and fifty. This is a philanthropic organization, devoted to the work of bettering the conditions of the young

men of the Jewish race, and is national and international in its scope, having thousands of members in America and other countries. Mr. Rosenthal was the local vice chairman for the American Jewish Relief Association in 1920, when one hundred and twenty thousand dollars was Toledo's allotment for fifteen million dollars to be raised in the United States. He was the chairman in 1922, when Toledo's allotment was forty-seven thousand of the eighteen million dollars to be raised in this country. According to the statement of David A. Brown, of Detroit, Michigan, national chairman, ninety-eight per cent of the thirty-three million dollars reached the poor and needy men, women and children refugees of the late war in the devastated countries of Europe, and the funds were distributed independent of race, creed or color. A firm believer in the gospel of good, Mr. Rosenthal has done all in his power to aid his fellowmen, and his example may well be followed by all who aspire to a high level of service.

FRANK F. PERRINGER

Frank F. Perringer, who for many years has been actively engaged in the oil business, is one of Woodville's best known citizens, having served for the past seven years as postmaster and has been active in projects concerning the general welfare of the community. He is a native son of Ohio, having been born in Trumbull county in 1865. His parents, Michael and Carrie Perringer, the former a blacksmith by occupation, are deceased. He received his early education in the public schools, after which he attended Western Reserve Seminary and Grand River Institute, at Austinburg, Ashtabula county, graduating from the latter institution in 1890. He went to the Bradford oil field in McKean county, Pennsylvania, where he was employed as a gauger for many years, and then was transferred to the Ohio fields. Altogether he worked as an oil gauger for twenty years, and he has acquired valuable oil property, having interests in Oklahoma and elsewhere. In 1923 he became a resident of Woodville, where he is still residing and where he has taken an active interest in local public affairs. He was appointed postmaster in 1920 and re-

appointed in 1925 and 1928 and is rendering able and appreciated service in the office. While a resident of Pennsylvania he served seven years as a justice of the peace. He is a stockholder in the Buns Hydrated Lime Company and also has interests in the National Bond & Mortgage Company of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and royalty interests in The Tulsledo Oil Company of Toledo.

In 1889 Mr. Perringer was united in marriage to Hattie Vance, who died in 1924. He has a daughter, Ruth H., who is the wife of Harry Karchner, the chief electrician for the Ohio Hydrate & Supply Company, and they have a son, Wayne, now four years of age. Mr. Karchner is a Mason and an Odd Fellow, and both he and his wife belong to the Order of the Eastern Star and the Rebekahs.

Fraternally, Mr. Perringer is a member of the Masons, the Knights of Pythias, of which he is a past chancellor commander; the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is a past noble grand, and the Knights of the Maccabees, in which he is a past commander. Mrs. Perringer was a member of the Rebekahs and the Ladies of the Maccabees. He is a member of the United Brethren church and is secretary and treasurer of the board of trustees and gives his earnest support to every worthy cause. Mr. Perringer possesses many excellent qualities, stands consistently for those things which contribute to the public good and is uniformly regarded as one of Woodville's best citizens.

THOMAS HALES YOUNG

Thomas H. Young, owner of Young Brothers' Scale Repair Shop, at 34 Vance street, enjoys the distinction of having the only shop devoted exclusively to the repairing of scales in Toledo, and he has developed the business to one of large proportions. He was born in Glencoe, Ontario, Canada, on the 6th of November, 1865, and is a son of George and Catherine (Bateman) Young. His father was born in Limerick, Ireland, and in young manhood came to America. Settling in Smith Falls, Ontario, he learned the carpenter trade and soon engaged in contracting and building. Later he moved to

Kingston, Ontario, then to Hamilton, and finally to London, Ontario, where he did contracting and building for some years. Finally, he turned his attention to farming in Middlesex county, Ontario, which vocation he followed up to the time of his death, in January, 1897. In London, Ontario, he married Miss Catherine Bateman, a native of that locality, who died in October, 1894. To them were born eight children, three of whom, William G., John B. and Mary Elizabeth, are deceased. Those living are: Charles H., of Glencoe, Ontario; Hattie, the wife of S. E. Bowler, of Salmon, Idaho; Thomas H., of this review; Jacob L., a physician of New York city; and Katherine A., the wife of E. K. Parsons, of Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.

Thomas H. Young received his education in the public schools of Appin and then learned the trade of a machinist. Going to Montana, he was connected with the train service of the Great Northern Railroad for four years, after which he went to Detroit, Michigan, where he worked for M. M. Rowley and the Buffalo Scale Company. In 1903 he came to Toledo and on July 1st he and his brother J. L. established the present business under its present name. In July, 1904, Thomas H. Young bought his brother's interest in the enterprise, which he has since carried on alone. This was the first concern in this city to make a specialty of the repairing of scales and during the subsequent years it has enjoyed a steady and substantial patronage. Here all kinds of scales, from the smallest to the largest, are repaired and adjusted, and here also are manufactured, by improved machinery, the structural steel parts required in the building of the largest scales, such as are used on railroads, as well as auto truck scales. Mr. Young is also the Toledo agent for the Fairbanks-Morse scales. To accommodate his business he erected a brick factory building, thirty-three by one hundred feet in size, and also owns the adjoining lot, so that he has space to double the present size of the plant when needed.

On October 4, 1893, Mr. Young was united in marriage to Miss Minnie J. Scates, a native of Ontario. He is a member of Rubicon Lodge, No. 237, F. & A. M.; Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R., and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and Mrs. Young is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

They reside in a comfortable and attractive home at 3144 Scottwood avenue. Mr. Young has been successful in business because he has adhered to the highest code of commercial ethics, and he has always taken a justifiable pride in the satisfactory quality of work which he has turned out and which has been his best advertisement.

ARTHUR L. HOSSLER

Arthur L. Hossler, classed with the foremost contractors of Ohio, maintains his headquarters in Tiffin, which accounts him one of its most valuable citizens. He was born in Bloomville, Ohio, March 17, 1882, a son of Isaac and Susan (Revert) Hossler. The great-grandfather, John George Hossler, was a native of Germany and settled in Pennsylvania during the latter part of the eighteenth century. His son, Jacob Hossler, migrated to Seneca county, Ohio, in 1833, acquired land in Bloom township, where he built a log cabin, and afterward served as postmaster of Bloomville and became one of its prominent merchants. His son, Isaac Hossler, who was born on the homestead in Bloom township, devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits. His family numbered eight children, five sons and three daughters.

Arthur L. Hossler was reared on his father's farm and received a public school education. For four years he made a livelihood by drilling wells and then became identified with building operations in Cleveland, Ohio. In 1910 he engaged in general contracting in Tiffin in partnership with Ray M. Hossler, with whom he has since been associated under the style of Hossler Brothers. At the present time they have contracts amounting to nearly one million dollars and their business ranks with the largest of the kind in Ohio. Their operations cover the state and among the outstanding examples of their skill in construction work are the administration building of the Ohio Brass Company in Toledo; the Farmers Bank, a twelve-story edifice, which is one of the chief architectural ornaments of Mansfield; a million dollar high school in that city; the Bellevue high school; the Daughters of America Home for the aged in Tiffin, and one hun-

dred and thirty-two fine residences in this city. The members of the firm have always adhered to the spirit as well as the letter of an agreement, never allowing the smallest detail of a contract to be slighted, and their work is the highest expression of efficiency in the builders' art.

On Christmas day of 1914, Arthur L. Hossler was united in marriage to Miss Hattie C. Zeigler and they now have four children: Evan Marie, Harold, Arthur Lee Jr. and Marion. Mr. Hossler is identified with the York and Scottish Rite bodies of Masons and the Mystic Shrine. His fraternal connections also extend to the Knights of Pythias and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He is a director of the Tiffin Chamber of Commerce and a charter member of the Mohawk Country Club. In politics he is a republican and his religious belief is indicated by his affiliation with Trinity Reformed church. Gaining that superior ability which results from concentrated effort and broad experience, Mr. Hossler has left the deep impress of his individuality upon his work, which has constituted a most important factor in the upbuilding and improvement of Tiffin and other cities of Ohio, and his influence is one of broadening activity and strength in the field in which he is operating. He has always dealt honorably with his fellowmen and enjoys the esteem and confidence of those with whom he has been associated in the varied relations of life.

EDGAR M. ICKES, M. D.

For twenty-five years Dr. Edgar M. Ickes has been engaged in the practice of medicine in Fremont, where he was born in 1874, a son of Franklin Q. and Elizabeth (McMillen) Ickes.

Edgar M. Ickes received his early education in the public and high schools of Fremont, after which he attended a preparatory school at Hudson, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1893. Later he entered Adelbert College, at Cleveland, and was graduated in 1897, after which he matriculated in the medical school of Western Reserve University, at Cleveland, from which he received the degree of Doctor

of Medicine in 1901. He served two years as interne in the Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, and in 1903 returned to Fremont and entered upon the general practice of his profession. During the late war he served as medical officer of the board of examiners and is now a member of the medical staff of Memorial Hospital. He is a member of the Lucas County Medical Society, the Sandusky County Medical Society, the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association, and also of the Masonic order.

CHESTER ALLEN MECK

Chester Allen Meck, senior member of the law firm of Meck & Meck, has practiced in Toledo since 1923 and is rapidly attaining a position among the able members of the Toledo bar. He represents a family distinguished by legal ability of a high order. A native of Upper Sandusky, Ohio, he was born July 27, 1889, and is one of the five children of Benjamin and Mary (McLaughlin) Meck.

Benjamin Meck had a long and honorable career as a lawyer in north central Ohio and ably upheld the prestige of the Crawford county bar, of which he was a prominent member for many years. He was born in that county, March 1, 1860, a son of John Frederick and Christina (Schiefer) Meck, who were natives of Wurtemberg, Germany. John Frederick Meck was born September 1, 1816, a son of John F. Meck, Sr., who spent the latter part of his life in the United States and died in Crawford county, Ohio. Christina (Schiefer) Meck was born May 11, 1830, a daughter of Conrad Schiefer, and was married in Crawford county, where John F. Meck, Jr., settled about 1832, when that region was largely a wilderness. Through industry, thrift and good management he transformed his land into a productive farm and also engaged in stock raising. He adhered to the Pietist faith and gave his political support to the democratic party. To Mr. and Mrs. Meck were born eleven children, five of whom survive: Mrs. Pauline Adler, of Toledo; Mrs. Sarah Hesche, a resident of the same city; David C., who is prominent in educational work as dean of John Marshall College, and judge of the municipal court in Cleveland; Charles Wes-

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ley, a well known attorney of Toledo; and Noah Webster, a mail carrier who resides in Chatfield, Ohio.

Benjamin Meck attended the public schools of that locality and afterward matriculated in the Ohio Normal University, from which he was graduated in 1883. In Upper Sandusky he studied law under Judge Allen Smalley and was admitted to the bar in 1889. For two decades he followed his profession in Upper Sandusky, establishing a lucrative clientele, and while a resident of that city he was elected prosecuting attorney for Wyandot county, an office which he filled with distinction for six years. In 1907 he removed to Bucyrus and there practiced successfully until his death in 1925.

Benjamin Meck was married December 30, 1883, to Miss Mary McLaughlin, a native of Wyandot county, Ohio, who died in 1927. They became the parents of five children: Henry Lehr, who is engaged in the practice of medicine at Dundee, Michigan; Abraham K., a prominent attorney of Dayton, Ohio; Chester Allen; Mrs. Nina Augusta Wirth; and Calvin Benjamin, of the firm of Meck & Meck of Toledo.

Benjamin Meck was a stanch democrat and did considerable campaign work for the party. He was a Mason and a member of the Loyal Order of Moose and was also identified with the Knights of Pythias. He was a member of the Crawford county, Ohio State and American Bar Associations and conformed his practice to the highest ethical standards of the profession.

Chester Allen Meck received his early education in Upper Sandusky and in 1908 was graduated from the Bucyrus high school. Later he took a literary course in Ohio State University and then enrolled as a student in the Ohio Northern University, from which he received the degree of LL. B. in 1913. Locating in Bucyrus, he joined his father in the practice of law and was thus engaged for ten years. In 1918 he was elected prosecuting attorney for Crawford county and served for two terms of two years each. During his tenure of office he prosecuted some of the most important cases brought before the courts in that county and won a large percentage of convictions. After a noted bank robbery at Galion, Ohio, Mr. Meck was recalled to Crawford county to

assist in the prosecution of the Hand and Zillick cases and aided in securing the victory for the state. In other cases of note he was equally successful and established an enviable reputation as a prosecuting attorney. He gained wide recognition as counsel for defense in the Debny murder case in Lucas county. In January, 1923, he removed to Toledo and since 1927 has engaged in general practice in partnership with his younger brother, Calvin B. Meck, also a graduate of Ohio State University. The offices of Meck & Meck are located on the third floor of the Ohio building, and a growing clientele is proof of the confidence reposed in their legal acumen.

Chester A. Meck was married April 13, 1913, in Kenton, Ohio, to Miss Lillis O. Beasley, a native of Attica, Indiana, and a daughter of James N. and Charlotte (O'Dell) Beasley. Her father was a native of Ripley, Brown county, Ohio, and her mother was born in Fountain county, Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. Meck reside at No. 208 Islington street and have a family of three children: Kermit Benjamin, Chester James and Janet Maxine.

Mr. Meck is affiliated with Grace Reformed church and casts his ballot for the candidates of the democratic party. In Bucyrus he joined the Loyal Order of Moose and belongs to the Toledo Lodge of Elks. He is a member of the local, state and national bar associations and exemplifies in his conduct the lofty ideals of his profession, thus gaining the respect of his professional colleagues and those with whom he has been associated in other relations of life.

PAUL WILLIAM ALEXANDER

Prominent among the able and successful members of the Toledo bar stands Paul William Alexander, whose professional record has gained for him not only a large and important practice but also the uniform respect of those who are at all familiar with his career. He was born in the city now honored by his citizenship on the 8th of December, 1888, and is a son of William H. and Mary F. (Lane) Alexander. The family was founded in this country long prior to the war of the Revolution and members of the family participated in

that struggle. The paternal grandfather, Andrew Alexander, was a native of Pennsylvania and a farmer by vocation, was a man of mixed national strains, English, Scottish, Irish, Welsh and German blood flowing in his veins. William H. Alexander was born at Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, April 12, 1832, and received his education in the public schools of his native state. He came to Ohio prior to the Civil war and first settled in Canton, Stark county, where he engaged in the practice of law. Subsequently he moved to Mount Vernon, Ohio, and still later to Cincinnati. In 1870 he brought his family to Toledo and soon afterward abandoned the law and turned his attention to the insurance business, in which he was successfully engaged up to the time of his death, which occurred on April 12, 1892, on the sixtieth anniversary of his birth. He was a stanch supporter of the republican party; was active and influential in civic affairs, and was particularly interested in religious work, having been the organizer of the Riverside Baptist church and the old Adams Street mission. He was a member of the Home Guard during the Civil war. Mary F. Lane was born in New Brunswick, New Jersey, September 1, 1846, and was a daughter of Dr. Cornelius Lane, who joined the gold rush to California in 1849 and was never heard from afterward. In 1872 she became the wife of William H. Alexander and to them were born two children, Paul W., of this review, and Eunice, who is the widow of J. Fred Gleish and now resides in Delaware, Ohio. The mother of these children is still living in Toledo and is eighty-three years of age.

Paul W. Alexander attended the public schools of Toledo, graduating from the Central high school in 1905, after which he entered Denison University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1909. After a year in newspaper work he entered the law school of Harvard University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1913, and on his return to Toledo entered upon the practice of his profession, which he has followed to the present time. He has been elected a member of the executive committee of the Toledo Bar Association, which office he now holds.

On July 13, 1918, in Brookline, Massachusetts, Mr. Alex-

ander was united in marriage to Miss Lorraine Marshall Eaton, a native of Massachusetts and a daughter of Frank and Harriett (Saunders) Eaton, both of whom were of English descent and members of old New England families. Mrs. Alexander, a woman of fine education and mental attainments, is regarded as Toledo's leading book reviewer, and is also a contributor to leading periodicals. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander are the parents of two children, namely: Constance H., born January 16, 1920, and Marshall Ben, born June 24, 1922.

Though Mr. Alexander takes a lively interest in public affairs, he is independent in his political attitude, voting according to the dictates of his judgment. He served as assistant prosecuting attorney of Lucas county in 1919-20, and has also served as city solicitor of Maumee since 1921. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Lucas County Library. He belongs to Sanford Collins Lodge, No. 396, F. & A. M.; the Men's Club, the Maumee Exchange Club and the Chamber of Commerce, of which he is a director. His religious connection is with the Protestant Episcopal church. He is president of the Toledo Lawyers Club and is a member of the Toledo Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association. Mr. Alexander, during his college experience, earned his tuition one year by editing the college paper.

For many years Mr. Alexander's principal avocation has been Y. M. C. A. work, and to the pursuit of this he has devoted an unusual amount of time and energy, often sacrificing business and pleasure therefor. He was a charter member and organizer of the first Y's Men's Club, and while serving as its president organized six other such clubs in Ohio, and in 1922 succeeded in effecting the affiliation of these clubs in the Ohio Association of Y's Men's Clubs, of which he was the first president. He organized other clubs outside Ohio and in Canada, and late in 1922 he brought these together in the International Association of Y's Men's Clubs. He was the first international president of this organization, serving two terms, and following his retirement from the presidency he served five years upon the international board of directors. During his tenure of office he continued to expand the movement, traveling and organizing new clubs from

New England to Los Angeles, and from Vancouver to Nova Scotia. As the results of his initial efforts, the organization has continued to grow until it numbers nearly two hundred clubs situated in all parts of the United States and Canada, and in one or more countries in every continent on the globe. Of late years his primary interest has been world affairs and as chairman of the World Outlook committee he has carried on an immense volume of correspondence with Asiatics, Australians, Europeans and Latin Americans. In recognition of his services his fellow Y's Men have formally conferred upon him the title of president emeritus of the International Association of Y's Men's Clubs.

ARTHUR S. LANGENDERFER

Prominent among Toledo's successful business men stands Arthur S. Langenderfer, who has won a high reputation as a capable and reliable paving contractor, in which line he has operated over a wide range of territory in the central states. He was born on the 29th of November, 1892, in Galesburg, Knox county, Illinois, a son of John and Matilda (Mayer) Langenderfer. The family is of German origin, the paternal great-grandfather having emigrated from the fatherland to America in an early day. He located at Rabb, Lucas county, Ohio, where he engaged in the "ashery" business, producing lye, which he shipped by water to Buffalo, New York, whence it was reshipped to New York city, where it was used in the manufacture of soap. This was an important industry in those days and he developed a large trade in that line. He was also interested in farming. His son, Jacob Langenderfer, was also born in Germany and was about five years of age when the family came to this country. John Langenderfer was born at Rabb, Lucas county, where he was reared and educated. In early life he was associated with his father in business, but later engaged in street and road building, which line of work he has followed continuously to the present time. He has done much important work in Ohio and Illinois and was a temporary resident of Galesburg, in the latter state, during 1892-3, while

engaged in road building in that locality. He is independent in his political views and is a member of the Roman Catholic church. His wife was born at Rabb, Lucas county, and is a daughter of the late Otto and Elizabeth (Dill) Mayer, who were pioneer settlers of Lucas county. Mr. Mayer was a native of Germany and was about five years old when he was brought by his parents to the United States. He was reared to the life of a farmer, which vocation he followed during the active years of his life. He bought eighty acres of land, for which he paid one dollar and a quarter an acre, and this property remained in the possession of the family until the early part of 1927. Mr. Mayer lived to the age of ninety-one years, and his wife to the age of eighty-five years.

Arthur S. Langenderfer received his educational training in the public and parochial schools and the Central high school of Toledo and during vacation periods he worked for his father, starting in as a water boy. On attaining his majority he engaged in business on his own account as a paving contractor and during the subsequent years has done a vast amount of work in Ohio, Indiana and Michigan, constructing many miles of city streets and public highways. He owns a complete and extensive equipment, no job being too large for him to handle, and he is conscientious in the performance of every contract into which he enters, so that he has well earned the confidence of all with whom he has been connected in a business way.

On September 19, 1918, at Rabb, Ohio, Mr. Langenderfer was united in marriage to Miss Florence Biggs, who was born in Toledo and is a daughter of Franklin and Marie (Collins) Biggs, both of whom are members of well known families of Sandusky, Ohio, of which locality their respective ancestors, who were of English descent, were pioneer settlers. Mrs. Langenderfer is a member of the Toledo Women's Club and is actively interested in the civic and social affairs of the city.

Mr. Langenderfer is a republican in his political alignment and has shown a proper interest in everything affecting the welfare of his city and county. He is a member of the Toledo Club, the Inverness Golf and Country Club, the Catawba Cliffs Golf Club, the Pelee Island Fishing Club, of

which he was one of the organizers, the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Paving Contractors Association, of which he is president, the Ohio Contractors Association and the American Road Builders Association. He is a Roman Catholic in religious faith, holding membership in the Cathedral chapel. Fond of outdoor life, he greatly enjoys hunting, fishing and golf, and among his associates he is extremely popular. He has shown himself a keen and capable business man, a loyal and public-spirited citizen and a constant and dependable friend, so that he is worthy of the high place which he holds in the esteem of all who know him.

CHARLES B. DILLON

Charles B. Dillon is secretary and treasurer of the Irvin-Fangboner Company, of Bellevue, one of the leading hay, grain and feed concerns of this county. Mr. Dillon was born in Fremont, Ohio, in 1884, a son of Charles M. Dillon, who located in Fremont about 1840. He received his educational training in the public and high schools of his native city, after which he attended the Case School of Applied Science, at Cleveland, taking the mechanical engineering course. On leaving school he became a stockholder and director of the Irvin-Fangboner Company of Bellevue and was made secretary and treasurer of the concern soon after its incorporation, which positions he has held to the present time. This company has been more than ordinarily successful in its operations and now owns a number of elevators, its business showing a steady and substantial growth. Mr. Dillon has devoted his efforts closely to the business and has gained recognition as an able and reliable business man.

In 1912 Mr. Dillon was united in marriage to Miss Eliza Fleet, of Tiffin, Ohio, and they are the parents of a son, Kent Fleet, who was born in 1913 and is now attending high school. Mr. Dillon gives his support to the republican party and has shown an active interest in local public affairs. He is a Consistory Mason and member of Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Toledo. He was formerly a member of the Kiwanis Club, is a director of the Young Men's Christian

Association and a member of the local hospital board. He and his wife are earnest members of the Protestant Episcopal church. Mr. Dillon is fond of outdoor life and belongs to the Ditmars Hunting and Fishing Club of Fremont.

CHARLES GEORGE BREMER

The Bremer Lumber Company, of which Charles G. Bremer is president, is one of Toledo's progressive and prosperous business concerns and its volume of trade is showing a steady and substantial increase. Mr. Bremer was born in Toledo on the 13th of January, 1864, and is a son of Frederick and Frederica (Lorence) Bremer, both of whom were natives of Germany and died in Toledo. The father was for many years connected with the Mitchell & Roland Lumber Company. He supported the republican party, and he and his wife were devout members of the Lutheran church.

Charles G. Bremer received his educational training in the parochial schools of Toledo and then worked for six months in the Stebens brickyard. When thirteen years of age he entered the employ of the Mitchell & Roland Lumber Company, with which concern he remained four years, and then went to Barbour & Star, lumber dealers, for whom he worked twenty-three years, being yard foreman and shipping clerk at the time he resigned. In 1905 he and E. E. Arnesman formed a partnership under the name of Arnesman & Bremer and engaged in the lumber business at Elm and Oneida streets, continuing together until March 17, 1928, when Mr. Arnesman withdrew. The business was then incorporated under the name of the Bremer Lumber Company, of which Mr. Bremer has been president up to the present time. They carry a large stock of lumber and all kinds of building material and are meeting with notable success. Mr. Bremer is also a stockholder in the Lucas County Mortgage Company of Toledo.

Mr. Bremer has been married three times, first, in 1885, to Miss Emma Shroder, who died in Toledo, leaving two children, George Henry and Dorothy F. George Henry, now vice president of the Bremer Lumber Company, is a veteran

of the World war. He was in training at Columbus, Tennessee, and served fourteen months overseas, during which he was with Evacuation Hospital Fourteen. He married Miss Elizabeth Schmidt, of Toledo, and they have a son, Charles. Dorothy F. Bremer became the wife of Harry Pritchett, secretary and treasurer of the Bremer Lumber Company, and they have two daughters, Helen and Ruth. For his second wife, Mr. Bremer married Miss Minnie Beatker, a native and lifelong resident of Toledo. His third wife was Miss Mary Nehiser of Toledo, who was educated in the public schools and is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Women's Benefit Society of Toledo. In politics Mr. Bremer is a republican, and he and his wife are members of the German Reformed church. He is a member of the Masonic Order, belonging to the various bodies of both York and Scottish Rites; the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine; the Toledo Exchange Club, and other local organizations. He is successful in business, is respected in social life and as a friend and neighbor has discharged his duties in a manner that has won for him the genuine respect of all who know him. His residence has been at 405 Chicago street, Toledo, since 1887.

OTIS ELMER BITTINGER

Otis E. Bittinger, director and general manager of the Ohio Hydrate and Supply Company, of Woodville, is a wide-awake, sagacious and successful business man and in his present position has contributed very materially to the prosperity of this well known concern. He was born in Mansfield, Ohio, in 1869, and received his educational training in the public schools of Woodville. He then became associated with his father, with whom he remained until 1919. In 1916 he had been one of the organizers and was elected a director of the Ohio Hydrate and Supply Company, and in 1919 he became the general manager of that concern, which position he retains to the present time. He is well qualified for the duties that devolve upon him and this great concern has made steady advancement in the volume of its sales, being

today the largest individual producer of lime in the United States. He is also a stockholder and director of the State Savings Bank of Woodville, and stockholder in the Farmers Elevator Company of this place.

Mr. Bettinger has always been a democrat in his political affiliations and is active in local public affairs, having served as village clerk for thirty-one consecutive years. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and member of Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and also belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Independent Order of Foresters and the Woodville Exchange Club. He makes his home with his sister in Woodville. He is friendly in manner, is a consistent supporter of those things which count for most in the life of his community and during all the years of his residence here he has commanded the unqualified respect and esteem of his fellowmen.

EARL W. SHOEMAKER

Earl W. Shoemaker, senior member of the firm of Shoemaker & Raab, attorneys of Toledo, was born in Napoleon, Ohio, April 21, 1893, a son of George C. and Annabel (Bayer) Shoemaker. The father was born in Wood county, Ohio, July 19, 1865, a son of Andrew and Mary (Scheaffner) Shoemaker, natives of Switzerland, and attended the public schools of Perrysburg. For many years he engaged in the manufacture of cigars at Napoleon and was also active in public affairs. His political support was given to the democratic party and his fraternal affiliations were with the Loyal Order of Moose, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Masons. He attained the age of sixty-one years, passing away in September, 1926. Mrs. Shoemaker was also born in Wood county and is now living in Toledo. Her parents, John and Margaret Henrietta (Boepley) Bayer, were of German lineage and migrated to Ohio from New York state. To Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker were born three children: Earl W., Mildred M. and Marjorie.

Earl W. Shoemaker was reared in his native town and completed a course in the Napoleon high school in 1913. He

then was in the employ of his father for several years, a part of which time he was a traveling salesman. He covered the states of Ohio and Michigan and thus paid for his tuition in the Cincinnati Law School, from which he was graduated December 14, 1917. He had previously begun the study of law in the office of Cahill & Mulcahy at Napoleon, one of the well known law firms of northwestern Ohio, and under the tutelage of the late Hon. Thomas Mulcahy. In 1913 he had been elected justice of the peace of Henry county, Ohio, and acceptably filled the office for four years. He was next appointed index clerk of the house of representatives of Ohio for the eighty-third general assembly, completing the term of two years, and then returned to Napoleon. In 1918 he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and served with Headquarters Company at Washington, D. C., until the signing of the armistice. After receiving his discharge Mr. Shoemaker returned to Napoleon and in 1920 was the democratic nominee for the office of prosecuting attorney of Henry county. On the 15th of July, 1921, he began his career as a lawyer in Toledo and now enjoys a large practice. The firm of Shoemaker & Raab acts as counsel for the Ohio Finance Company, the Empire Finance Company, the United Finance Company, Willys-Overland Company, the Hofmann Brothers Company and other substantial corporations of Toledo.

On the 11th of April, 1921, Mr. Shoemaker was married in Toledo to Miss Katherine L. McBride, a native of Defiance, Ohio, and a daughter of Charles L. McBride, now deceased, and Mary (Wisler) McBride, members of prominent families of that city. Mr. and Mrs. Shoemaker have two children: Sara McBride, who was born February 11, 1927, in Toledo; and John Wayne, born September 19, 1928. The residence of the family is at No. 231 Melrose avenue and Mr. Shoemaker's offices are situated on the seventh floor of the Spitzer building.

For diversion he turns to horseback riding and owns some fine saddle horses. He is a member of the Collingwood Presbyterian church and an influential factor in the local councils of the democratic party. Along fraternal lines he is connected with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and

the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He is a member of the American Legion, the association of Disabled War Veterans and the local, state and national bar associations. Mr. Shoemaker is a man of high personal standing and marked ability and has gained the respect and good will of all with whom he has been associated.

ARTHUR CHARLES KELTING

Arthur Charles Kelting was one of the well known and successful business men of Toledo, in which city he was born August 1, 1886, a son of John and Lena (Pfund) Kelting, who were natives of Germany. In the public schools of Toledo he pursued his studies until he had passed through the grammar grades and had attended the Central high school. He put aside his textbooks, however, to enter the wholesale fish business which had been established by his father, following whose death he took up the active management of the business in 1912 in association with his elder brother, Albert J. Kelting. The business was then incorporated under the name of the Toledo Fish Company, located at 728 Water street, and here they developed a trade of extensive and gratifying proportions, making theirs one of the profitable commercial enterprises of the city. They also conducted a branch house at Erie, Pennsylvania. Arthur C. Kelting became president of the corporation and so continued until his death, displaying an enterprising spirit and sound judgment in the administration of its affairs.

On the 12th of September, 1916, Mr. Kelting was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Bolan, a native of Toledo and a daughter of Jeremiah and Anna (Bolan) Bolan, both of whom have passed away. Mr. and Mrs. Kelting became the parents of three children: Mary Louise, James Arthur and William Charles.

Mr. Kelting exercised his right of franchise in support of the republican party but took no active interest in politics beyond casting his vote. He was affiliated with St. Matthew's Lutheran church, while fraternally he was identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He was a home-

ARTHUR C. KELTING

loving man in the truest sense of the term and cared little for outside diversions, finding his greatest enjoyment in the company of the members of his family. Between him and his elder brother, Albert J., whose death occurred March 28, 1926, there was the deepest affection and attachment and the shock of his brother's demise no doubt hastened the death of Arthur C. Kelting, who passed away April 11, 1927. In his passing Toledo lost a substantial citizen, his associates a faithful friend, and his family a loving husband and father. His wife and children now make their home in Toledo, their residence being at 11 Proctor place.

WALTER FINLEY CONNER

Walter F. Conner, though one of the younger business men of Fremont, is not behind others in the possession of the qualities essential to success, and he has attained a measure of prosperity which reflects his ability and enterprise. Mr. Conner was born in Fremont in 1899, and is a son of Wilbur F. and Clara (Smith) Conner, the former having been the owner of a dyeing works and ostrich feather establishment, but is now deceased.

Walter F. Conner attended the public schools of Fremont, graduating from high school in 1917, and then engaged in the dry cleaning business, including garments and rugs. He had previously had some experience in that line and in his new venture success attended him from the start. Thus encouraged, he has opened a number of branches, having establishments at Clyde, Gibsonburg, Oberlin and Lakeside, Ohio, all of which are prospering. Mr. Conner has an up-to-date plant, modern in its equipment and methods, and employs eighteen people, while four trucks are utilized for collection and delivery. Mr. Conner takes pride in the high quality of his work, which is his best advertisement, and well merits the success which is now his.

In 1920 Mr. Conner was united in marriage to Miss Geraldine V. Clink, of Fremont, and they are the parents of two children, Jean and Virginia. Mr. Conner is a republican in his political preference and shows a commendable interest in

public affairs. He is a member of Brainard Lodge, F. & A. M., the American Legion and the Chamber of Commerce. He and his wife attend the Presbyterian church and give liberally to its support and to worthy benevolent causes. Mr. Conner is widely acquainted throughout this section of the county and all who know him hold him in high esteem for what he has accomplished and for the honorable methods through which he has gained his success.

HENRY STAUTZENBACH

Henry Stautzenbach, a lifelong resident of Toledo, has since 1906 been engaged in the real estate business and also specializes in probate work. In his chosen field he has made steady advancement and success in substantial measure is now his. Throughout all the years he has been regarded as a valued citizen here, his sterling worth being attested by all who know him.

Mr. Stautzenbach was born in Toledo, July 3, 1861, a son of Jacob and Catherine (Dash) Stautzenbach. The father, a native of Germany, came to America in 1835 and first settled in Cleveland, Ohio, whence he removed to Toledo. In his family were five sons and three daughters, of whom six have passed away, the only ones now living being Mrs. J. C. Foth, of Toledo, and Henry.

The public schools accorded Henry Stautzenbach his educational opportunities and after leaving school he entered the employ of Dr. C. H. Reed as a bookkeeper and collector, earning twenty dollars per month. Subsequently he was with the firm of Draper & Nugent, furniture dealers, as general credit man, continuing with that firm for twelve years. He was also associated with Judge Frank M. Sala for a period of twelve years and it was during that time that he studied law. In 1906 he established a general commercial agency, handling real estate and commercial paper. Few men can speak with equal authority concerning property values in Toledo and he is equally conversant with stocks and bonds and other commercial paper. He has gained a large clientele and his success is attributable entirely to his own efforts. In

order to qualify in an educational way for the duties that might come to him, he attended night school and met the expenses of his course through his own labors. Throughout his entire life obstacles and difficulties have seemed to serve as an impetus for renewed effort on his part and his indefatigable energy and determination have carried him steadily forward to the goal of success.

On September 18, 1884, Mr. Stautzenbach married Miss Cora E. Spayd, of Toledo, and their family numbers a son and two daughters: Harry S., who married Elsa Leu, a native of Toledo, and is engaged in the commission business in this city; Nellie, the wife of Charles Ayres, of Toledo; and Mabel. The family residence is at 1634 Western avenue, where Mr. and Mrs. Stautzenbach have made their home for the past twenty-nine years. He has his office at 424 Gardner building.

Fraternally Mr. Stautzenbach is connected with the Eagles, the Moose, the Rangers, the Woodmen of the World, the German Beneficial Union, the German Hausen Benevolent Society and the Loyal Order of Lions. He has figured prominently in public affairs of Toledo and has done effective work in this field. For a decade he served as one of the trustees of the Toledo Workhouse and for five years was president of the board. He is fearless in defense of any cause to which he gives his support and his aid and influence are ever on the side of right, progress, reform and improvement. Widely known throughout Toledo, he has a circle of friends almost coextensive with the circle of his acquaintance. Mr. Stautzenbach gives his political allegiance to the republican party, while his religious faith is that of the German Lutheran church.

ALBERT R. C. MONTGOMERY

One of the most active and successful insurance men of Toledo is Albert R. C. Montgomery, manager of the Toledo district for the Ohio National Life Insurance Company of Cincinnati. He was born in Brownsburg, Indiana, on the 18th of February, 1879, and is a son of John M. and Frances

Caroline (Wright) Montgomery, the former of whom was a native of Knoxville, Tennessee, and the latter of Indianapolis, Indiana. Brothers of both parents enlisted for service in Ohio regiments during the Civil war, and ancestors on both sides of the family also fought in the war of the Revolution. The progenitors of the Montgomery family in this country came from Scotland and settled first in the Carolinas. In later years, members of the family migrated to Tennessee and eventually, in 1845, traveled by prairie schooner from that state to Indiana. To John M. and Frances C. Montgomery were born six children, as follows: Dr. R. Ames is president of Lane Theological Seminary of Cincinnati, Ohio. Willis W., who was pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Fairfield, Iowa, died at the age of forty-three years. One daughter died in infancy. Grace M. became the wife of Lieutenant Ray C. Dean, an engineer in the United States army, who died on boat en route to France during the World war, and she has for the past ten years been with the firm of La Salle & Koch, of Toledo, being at the head of the personnel department. She is president of the Zonta Club, a business women's club of Toledo. Albert R. C., of this review, is the next of the family. Blanche E., of Toledo, is also connected with the La Salle & Koch department store.

Albert R. C. Montgomery attended the public schools of his native town and completed his education in Miami University. In 1906 he started in the insurance business, his first work being with the Prudential Life Insurance Company, with which organization he remained for twelve years. For two years he was manager at Toledo for the Public Saving Insurance Company of Indiana, and during the past two years he has been manager in this city for the Ohio National Life Insurance Company, of Cincinnati, having charge of the branch office which is located at 316-17 Gardner building.

Mr. Montgomery was united in marriage to Miss Florence L. Acker, a native of Fayette, Ohio, and a daughter of William and Ella Acker, the former of whom is deceased, while the latter is still living at Fayette, this state. Mr. and Mrs. Acker were among the first settlers in Fulton county, where her father ran a clothing store for fifty years and was also in the farm loan business for many years. Mrs. Acker

attended old Medina Academy and taught school for many years. She is now seventy-eight years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery are the parents of four children, namely: Ella Frances, who is the wife of Charles Gordon Grandy, of Toledo, and has one son, Charles Gordon Grandy, Jr; Mary Josephine, who is attending Miami University; Florence Jean and Robert Ames, who are in Scott high school. Mr. Montgomery has resided for the past twenty years in the same house, at 1004 Prospect avenue. He is a capable business man, has very successfully represented his company in this district, and has shown splendid executive ability in his management of the branch agency of which he has charge.

HARRY L. YOUNKER

Harry L. Younker, who conducts an up-to-date cleaning establishment in Fremont, is a native son of this locality, is well known among its people and has from boyhood merited and enjoyed their confidence and good will. He was born in Fremont in 1894 and received his education in the public and high schools. He was first regularly employed as a clerk in a store, which line he followed for some time, later turning his attention to the insurance business, at which he was working when the United States became involved in the World war. He enlisted in Company K and later was transferred to the One Hundred and Forty-seventh Supply Company, with which he was sent overseas. He served one year in France, participating in the activities on several fronts, and on his return to this country, in 1919, was honorably discharged, with the rank of sergeant.

Returning to Fremont, he took a position as traveling salesman with the Kansas Flour Mills Company, of Kansas City, Missouri, and was thus employed until 1922, when he resigned and, returning to Fremont, bought the S. C. Cox dry cleaning establishment, which he has operated under the name of Younker, The Cleaner. He has a well equipped establishment, turns out work of the highest quality, has gained an extensive patronage, embracing the best families of this section of the county, and is recognized as the leader

in his line in this city. He operates a truck and emphasizes promptness and efficiency in his service. Mr. Younker is also a stockholder and director of the Liberty Banking Company, of Fremont.

In 1922 Mr. Younker was united in marriage to Miss Cary Moore, of Fremont, and they are the parents of two children, Harry, Jr., aged five years, and Virginia, aged three years. Mrs. Younker takes an active interest in local civic affairs and is a member of the Ladies Auxiliary to the American Legion. Mr. Younker is a strong republican in his political views and has been prominent in local public affairs, having served two terms as councilman-at-large, during which period he was chairman of the finance committee. He belongs to Brainard Lodge, F. & A. M.; the York Rite bodies; Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Toledo, has membership in the Rotary Club, the Fremont Golf Club and other local organizations, and attends St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal church. He is a man of great energy, keen business judgment and an attractive personality, and all who know him hold him in genuine respect because of his honorable record and his consistent life, while among his associates he is deservedly popular.

ALFRED A. HAHN

The mental growth of every race is measured by the character of its dwellings—by what it builds. The architect is therefore a most important factor in influencing and shaping the material advancement of a community, for his decisions, knowledge and judgment are largely relied upon by those who have need of his services. It is to this line of endeavor which Alfred A. Hahn has directed his attention, and his talents, natural and acquired, have placed him with Toledo's foremost architects.

Mr. Hahn was born in this city on the 25th of June, 1890, and is a son of Charles F. C. and Louisa (Schultz) Hahn. The father was born in Prussia, Germany, and when but a year old was brought to America by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Hahn, who settled in Toledo in 1863. Dur-

ing the sixty-six years of his residence in the city Charles F. C. Hahn has witnessed remarkable changes in its aspect and rejoices in what has been accomplished. He is a member of the Lutheran church and casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party. His wife was born in Toledo and her parents, Charles and Bertha Schultz, were also of German lineage. Mr. and Mrs. Hahn had four children, and the three sons are living but the daughter died in infancy.

Alfred A. Hahn, the youngest member of the family, received a public school education and studied architecture. In 1906 he entered the employ of Harry W. Wachter, with whom he spent six and a half years, receiving a thorough course of training. On the expiration of that period he became connected with the E. H. Close Realty Company and had charge of the building activities of the firm for six and a half years. In 1919 he began his independent career as an architect and has been intrusted with many important commissions in the intervening period of ten years. He designed practically all of the houses in Ottawa Hills, one of Toledo's finest subdivisions, and drew the plans for the Hillcrest apartments, erected in 1929, on Madison avenue between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets. This structure, which has two hundred and forty-five apartments, covers half of an entire square and constitutes Toledo's largest, finest and most modern apartment building. Mr. Hahn has been the designer of many other imposing edifices which feature in the city's architectural adornment but specializes in high class homes, a field in which he excels. During the World war he was connected with the local building board in an advisory capacity and at that time it was known as the conservation board. In 1929 Mr. Hahn was chosen as consulting architect to Harry Hake of Cincinnati in the construction of the six-million-dollar state office building to be erected in Columbus to house offices now scattered about the city.

On the 21st of May, 1912, Mr. Hahn was married in Toledo to Miss Alice B. Thobe, a native of Piqua, Ohio, and a daughter of John J. and Catherine (Bourgeois) Thobe. Mr. and Mrs. Hahn have three children: Virginia Louise, who was born July 26, 1919; Alfred A., Jr., born February 12,

1924; and Mary Rose, born April 24, 1925. The residence of the family is at No. 3327 Pelham road, in the suburb of Ottawa Hills, and Mr. Hahn's office is located on the fourth floor of the Close building.

He casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party but is not active in politics. A thirty-second degree Mason, he is identified with Rubicon Lodge, No. 237, F. & A. M.; Toledo Chapter, No. 161, R. A. M.; Toledo Council, No. 33, R. & S. M.; and Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is also affiliated with the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo and East Side Chambers of Commerce and the Kiwanis Club. Mr. Hahn occupies an enviable position in his profession and has rendered service of direct value to his city, which is proud to claim him as a native son.

LOU D. WEBER

Lou D. Weber, president and general manager of the Fremont Rubber Products Company, possesses a progressive and enterprising spirit that has enabled him to accomplish much in his business life, and the concern of which he is the head has in the last four years been developed into a substantial and steadily growing institution. Mr. Weber was born near Bloomington, Illinois, in 1871, and is a son of John J. and Elizabeth Weber. In 1875 the family came to Ohio, locating near Cincinnati, where the father established a blacksmith shop, and there the parents spent their remaining years.

Lou D. Weber attended the district schools near Cincinnati and the public schools of that city, after which he taught school for three years. In 1897 he located at Burford, Ohio, and, in partnership with Samuel Moon, engaged in a mercantile business, to which he devoted his attention until 1901, when he sold out and moved to Columbus, this state. There he became a traveling salesman, being employed successively by the Scioto Buggy Company, the Columbus Merchandise Company, and the Landis Machinery Company, of St. Louis, Missouri. Later he went to Toledo and acquired an interest

in the National Quartz and Chemical Company, with which he was identified until 1919, when he sold his interest and removed to Fremont, becoming one of the organizers of the Liberty Banking Company. A year later he sold his stock in that institution and in 1924 organized the Fremont Rubber Products Company, Inc., of which he has since been president and general manager. This concern is engaged in making all kinds of rubber mats, which are sold mainly through jobbers, while the three traveling salesmen of the company cover the territory from Lincoln, Nebraska, to Maine. The plant is equipped with the latest type of machinery and about fifteen persons are employed in the factory.

In 1896 Mr. Weber was united in marriage to Miss Stella Moon, of Cincinnati, Ohio, daughter of Samuel and Rhoda (Lewis) Moon. Mr. and Mrs. Weber are the parents of two children, Carina, who is a graduate of the Toledo high school and is associated with her father, and Bernice, who is a graduate of the Columbus high school and is the wife of Anthony J. Fischer. Mr. Weber gives his political support to the republican party and has proven a progressive and public-spirited citizen, cooperating in all measures for the promotion of the commercial, civic and moral interests of the community. Cordial and unassuming in manner, he has made many warm friends since coming to Fremont and is held in high regard by all who know him.

MARSHALL H. BIXLER

Marshall H. Bixler, one of the organizers, a director and general manager of the Fremont Metal Body Company, has been identified with manufacturing interests continuously since completing his education and is regarded as a man of sound technical knowledge and marked executive ability. He was born in Fremont, Ohio, in 1892, and is a son of Franklin T. and Mary (Nagel) Bixler, the former being the first member of the family to settle in this locality. For a number of years he engaged in a manufacturing business, but is now retired from active affairs.

Marshall H. Bixler attended the public schools, graduat-

ing from high school in 1911, after which he took up engineering and draftsmanship, in which he became expert. He served for some time as assistant chief engineer of the Allen Motor Car Company, remaining with that concern until 1920, when he returned to Fremont and organized the Fremont Metal Body Company, which was incorporated in 1922, with Frank Nagel as president and Mr. Bixler as general manager. The company is engaged in the manufacture of commercial bus and passenger touring bus bodies, and also has a department devoted to the making of sectional cottages, which are sold through distributors. The company has a large and commodious factory, equipped with improved machinery, and its output is showing a steady increase in volume, due to the high quality of the work turned out and the sound and progressive business methods of the company.

Mr. Bixler gives his political support to the democratic party and is keenly interested in matters affecting the general welfare of his city or county. In the Masonic order, he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite, and he is also a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Chamber of Commerce, and the Automobile Engineers Society. His religious connection is with Grace Lutheran church. Of agreeable manner and straightforward in all of his relations with his fellowmen, he commands the sincere regard of all who have in any way been associated with him.

MICHIEL JOHN ULINE

Prominent among the progressive and enterprising business men of Toledo stands Michiel J. Uline, president and general manager of the Citizens Ice & Fuel Company, one of the leading concerns in its line in Toledo. He was born in the Netherlands on the 29th of November, 1878, a son of John and Johanna (van Kessel) Uline, both of whom were also natives of the Netherlands. He attended the common schools of that country and in 1893 came to the United States. He located in Cleveland, Ohio, where, at the age of eighteen years, he first became identified with the ice business and organized the Colonial Ice Company. He was connected with

that concern for many years as president and general manager. On the consolidation of the Colonial Ice Company with the City Ice & Fuel Company, he was made vice president. Mr. Uline was in Cleveland for twenty-four years but in 1919 came to Toledo and took charge of the Maumee Ice & Storage Corporation as vice president and general manager. This concern was later consolidated with the Citizens Ice & Fuel Company, of which he is president and general manager, and which, under his able supervision, is enjoying excellent success.

On June 18, 1898, in Cleveland, Mr. Uline was united in marriage to Miss Caroline Eiermann, who was born in that city, March 31, 1879, a daughter of Mathias and Caroline (Von Hindenburg) Eiermann. Mr. and Mrs. Uline are the parents of two daughters, namely: Myrtle Uline, who is the wife of William B. Hill, of Toledo, and has a daughter, Patricia Uline Hill, and Hazel, who is the wife of Edward T. Capron, also of Toledo, and has a son, Robert Uline Foster, by a previous marriage.

Mr. Uline and his family are members of the Roman Catholic church. He is a keen and judicious business man, thoroughly dependable in everything which he undertakes, and he has realized a fine measure of success because he has worked hard for it and along honorable lines.

ALOIS F. GOOD

Alois F. Good, president and general manager of the Schaaff-Good Company, of Fremont, has earned a reputation as a man of reliable business judgment and the concern of which he is the head has become one of Fremont's important industries. Mr. Good was born in Fremont in 1885 and is a son of Paul and Frances (Hockenedel) Good. The father, who for many years engaged in the cigar manufacturing business here, is now deceased.

Mr. Good received his educational training in St. Joseph's parochial school and in 1908 he went to work in the executive department of the Hinkel Company, with which he remained for fifteen years. In 1923 he turned his attention to the

cutlery business, organizing and incorporating the Schaaff-Good Company, of which he was made president and general manager. The first plant was located on East State street, but owing to the growth of the business and the imperative demand for more space, a removal was made to the present location at Napoleon and Jackson streets, where the company owns an up-to-date plant, equipped with the most improved machinery and tools, and is turning out all kinds of cutlery of a quality that has commended its products to discriminating buyers. The goods are sold through jobbers throughout this country and are exported to many foreign countries, the volume of business showing a steady and healthy increase each year. Mr. Good is giving his entire time to the business, in the management of which he has shown fine executive ability.

On October 20, 1927, Mr. Good was united in marriage to Miss Alice Reinbold, of Millersville, Ohio. Mrs. Good takes an active interest in local civic and social affairs, being a member of the Mothers Club, the Ladies of Columbia and other organizations and has been effective in efforts in behalf of the public library. Both are earnest members of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church and are highly esteemed throughout the community because of their excellent personal qualities and their support of all worthy causes.

FRED WITMER

One of the notable figures in connection with the development of the lime industry in Sandusky county is Fred Witmer of Woodville, the president of the Ohio Hydrate & Supply Company, a concern which has enjoyed an unprecedented growth and is now one of the important lime producers of the country. Of this business Mr. Witmer became one of the organizers in 1916, previous to which time he had had considerable business experience along lines that developed his powers and qualified him for taking up the work of secretary and general sales manager of the new organization.

Mr. Witmer was born in Pillow, Dauphin county, Pennsylvania, in 1885, and is a son of Jacob Franklin and Sarah

FRED WITMER

Elizabeth (Shaffer) Witmer. He acquired a thorough education but in so doing overcame various obstacles and difficulties which would have discouraged many a youth of less resolute spirit. He was reared upon a farm and in early boyhood attended the country schools, and in connection with the usual course of study he gained knowledge of elementary Latin, physical geography, algebra and psychology. These did not constitute a part of the regular curriculum, but the teacher was a good friend of Mr. Witmer and gave him instruction along those lines. He attended high school for six months, but only one hundred and twenty days during that time, yet graduated with a standing of ninety-two per cent and was historian of his class. He lived at home during his student days and also while teaching school, and in addition to his work as pupil and teacher he milked seven cows and took care of the stock on the home farm, devoting the night and morning hours to study, sometimes arising as early as 2:00 A. M. in order to master his lessons. By teaching school for six months, or one hundred and twenty days, each year for a period of three years and working for his board on the farm, he earned enough to pay his way while attending normal school and enrolled in the State Normal at Millersville, Pennsylvania, and in course of time attended successively Temple University in Philadelphia, the University of Pennsylvania and the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce in Philadelphia, where he majored in commercial law, accounting and finance. For three years, beginning in 1902, he taught school and then became connected with the Charles Warner Company of Wilmington, Delaware, manufacturers of lime. After serving as bookkeeper for six months he was made office manager and paymaster of the subsidiary organizations of the Warner Company, including the Whiteland Lime Company, Cedar Hollow Lime Company, the McCoy Lime Company and the Keystone Lime Company, and at the same time had charge of the cost accounts and capital accounts of some of the other subsidiary companies. During the ensuing eight years all of these subsidiary companies were consolidated with the Charles Warner Company and Mr. Witmer was delegated to work with the appraisers and systematizers, at the same time continuing his regular duties

as before. On the completion of these various consolidations and of much reconstruction work he went on the road as traveling salesman for the Warner Company, covering eastern Pennsylvania. The year 1916 witnessed the culmination of his hopes of engaging in business on his own account, for in association with E. G. Baker, F. L. Mauntler, William Price, Otis Bittenger, George Keil, George Mauntler, D. H. Bittenger, E. H. Mauntler and William Keil and others he organized the Ohio Hydrate & Supply Company at Woodville, of which he became secretary and general sales manager, serving in that dual capacity until 1926, when he was elected to the presidency. Their original plan was to build six kilns, but they increased this number to twelve, and as their success warranted a substantial increase in the plant, they added another battery of twelve kilns and still later a third battery of the same size, so that the plant has thirty-six kilns and has thus become the largest individual finishing lime plant in the United States. Mr. Witmer has devoted his attention tirelessly to the promotion of this great concern, which has proven a notably profitable enterprise, and besides being the executive head of the Ohio Hydrate & Supply Company he is also president of the Finishing Lime Association of Ohio, in which capacity he has served continuously since the inception of the organization. The companies embraced in this district now furnish half of the hydrated lime produced in the United States. In financial circles Mr. Witmer is likewise known, being vice president and a director of the State Savings Bank of Woodville and chairman of its executive committee and, furthermore, he is a director of the Multiplex Concrete Machinery Company of Elmore, Ohio.

In 1908 Mr. Witmer was united in marriage to Miss Annie Laurie Daniel and they are the parents of two sons: Frederick Daniel, twenty years of age, who is taking an electrical engineering course in Ohio State University; and Franklin Irving, aged seventeen years, attending high school. Mrs. Witmer is active in local civic and social affairs and is a member of the Toledo Choral Society.

Fraternally Mr. Witmer is connected with Portage Lodge, No. 351, F. & A. M.; Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Toledo. He has mem-

THE OHIO HYDRATE & SUPPLY COMPANY'S PLANT, WOODVILLE, 1928

Airplane view taken at an altitude of approximately five thousand feet.

bership relations with the United Commercial Travelers, the Fremont Golf Club and the Catawba Cliffs Beach Club, while his religious connection is with the Dutch Reformed church. His interest in community welfare has been manifest in many tangible ways and his influence is always on the side of progress, reform and improvement. He is a man of marked individuality and upright character who has wisely used his talents and his opportunities, and with the passing years has progressed step by step until he ranks among the prominent, influential and successful residents of his adopted state, having been active in the development of a business which constitutes a potent force in the commercial advancement of Ohio.

CECIL RAY AUSTIN

Cecil R. Austin is treasurer and manager of one of the important milk concerns in Sandusky county, the Crogan Creamery, of Fremont, and has handled its affairs in a capable and efficient manner, so that he is highly regarded by his business associates. He was born in Freedom township, Wood county, Ohio, in 1884, and is a son of Ira B. and Levina (Fox) Austin, both deceased. The father was a farmer and later had an agricultural implement store in Bowling Green.

Cecil R. Austin attended the public schools, graduating from the Bowling Green high school. He took a commercial course in the Davis Business College, in Toledo, Ohio, after which he engaged in farming, to which occupation he had been reared. He followed that line of business for eleven years and about 1920 sold his farm and moved to Woodville, Sandusky county, where he established an ice and coal business. On April 6, 1925, the Crogan Creamery was established in Fremont, and in 1926 Mr. Austin became financially interested in that enterprise, of which he was made treasurer and manager, which relation he has sustained to the present time. The Crogan Creamery handles about three hundred thousand gallons of milk a year, the greater part of which is produced in Sandusky county, the remainder coming from Ottawa county. The company operates twelve trucks

for collecting and delivering the milk, and has four large milk routes. The business of the company has grown steadily and theirs is now one of the most successful creamery concerns in northwestern Ohio, largely due to the judicious management of Mr. Austin.

In 1906 Mr. Austin was united in marriage to Miss Verna L. Weaver, of Wood county, daughter of Simon T. and Hattie (Gander) Weaver. They have a daughter, Thelma Jean, now aged nine years. Mr. Austin has always been a stanch republican in his political affiliation and has been active in local public affairs, having served for several years as a member of the county central committee of his party in Wood county. He belongs to the Fremont Chamber of Commerce, is a member of Pemberville Lodge, No. 516, F. & A. M., of which he is a past master, he and his wife are members of the Order of the Eastern Star, and attend the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Austin is a man of wide general information and broad views and holds well defined opinions on the issues of the day. Everything pertaining to the prosperity and progress of his home community enlists his earnest support and he is regarded as one of Fremont's enterprising and dependable citizens, commanding the genuine respect of all who know him.

EDWARD PATRICK FARRELL

Actuated by a laudable ambition and at all times finding that keen joy in business activity without which success is never attained, Edward Patrick Farrell has worked his way steadily upward and as the president of the Edward P. Farrell Furniture Company has contributed in substantial measure to the commercial development of Toledo. He was born in Almont, Canada, July 15, 1868, a son of William Thomas and Elizabeth (Sabraugh) Farrell, who were also natives of that country. The father was born at Kingston, Canada, in October, 1839, and was a son of William Farrell, a native of Ireland, who crossed the Atlantic to the British province in the early part of the nineteenth century. Practically his entire life was spent in the English army and during his resi-

dence in Canada he was connected with the military forces of that country. His son, William T. Farrell, became a resident of Toledo in 1884 and was here successfully engaged in the furniture business until his retirement from active life, having in the interim accumulated a sufficient competence to meet all of his requirements and those of his family. His religious faith was that of the Catholic church and in his political views he was a stanch democrat. He passed away in Toledo in 1926, when he had reached the advanced age of eighty-seven years. His wife, who was born in Merricksville, Canada, in November, 1837, was of French parentage. By her marriage she became the mother of nine sons and a daughter and of this number five are yet living: John Augustus, a resident of Lawrence, Massachusetts; William A., who makes his home in Youngstown, Ohio; Edward P., of this review; and Dominick Joseph and Ambrose Daniel, both of Toledo.

Edward P. Farrell attended public schools in his native country and afterward continued his education in Steadman's Business College of Toledo. When he had completed his commercial course he entered the University of Toledo and thus further qualified for life's practical and responsible duties. In the meantime he had made his initial step in the business world, for when only thirteen years of age he was bound out to learn the upholsterer's trade, which he followed in Canada for two years. After he had completed his studies he entered the employ of the Gendron Wheel Company of Toledo, manufacturers of baby and children's vehicles and invalid chairs, there remaining for eighteen months. The spirit of adventure, however, dominated him. He desired to see something of the world and left Toledo with a small amount of money and a gold watch as his prized possession. On a freight train he made his way to Danville, Illinois, and in like manner he traveled to St. Louis, Missouri. There he became acquainted with the engineer of a freight train, who, forming a liking for the boy, put him in the caboose of the train and gave him free transportation to Sedalia, Missouri. In appreciation of this kindly service Mr. Farrell prevailed upon the engineer to accept his watch, which the man did reluctantly and only on condition that Mr. Farrell give him

his home address, which he did. Much to his surprise and happiness, when he returned home some time later, Mr. Farrell found the watch, which his engineer friend had sent to him. Privations and hardships were ahead of the youth, but he continued his journey and finally, after several weeks of travel, arrived in San Francisco, where he formed the acquaintance of the superintendent of the Wakefield Rattan Company, who immediately gave him employment. He was not satisfied, however, to work among the kind of men who were in the plant and after ten weeks he so informed the superintendent, who, recognizing the worth and ability of Mr. Farrell, provided him transportation and gave him a letter to the manager of the Chicago plant of the same company. Accordingly he made the return trip to the east in comfort and on reaching his destination was immediately given a job in the Chicago plant. During his residence in that city he boarded with the family of a man who was connected with the secret service department of the Chicago police. One day an atrocious murder was committed which baffled the police. This naturally was much discussed in the home of the officer, who had certain people under suspicion but could get no tangible evidence. In this he sought the aid of Mr. Farrell, instructing the young man what to do and where to go. Following the instructions, he overheard the conversation of the murderers and learned the disposition they had made of their victim. His report was followed by the arrest and conviction of the criminals. The officer was so happy over this that he secured for Mr. Farrell a position as an instructor in the state penitentiary, teaching the convicts the method of working with reeds. After a year there passed he was given a similar position at better pay in the penal institute at Huntington, Pennsylvania, but after a time he tired of this work and returned to Chicago, where he again became an employe of the Wakefield Company.

The year 1890 found Mr. Farrell again in Toledo and on the 14th of June of that year he married Miss Maude A. Baxter, who was born in Springfield, Illinois, May 9, 1872, a daughter of Thomas and Marion Baxter and a representative of an old Canadian family. Her father was of English lineage and her mother of Scotch descent. Mr. and Mrs.

Farrell have become parents of four children. Ethel, who became the wife of Mark T. Finch and who passed away April 5, 1921, was the mother of three children: Helen, Virginia and Mark T. Finch, Jr. Gertrude M. Farrell is the wife of Howard Wright and has one son, Howard, Jr. Earl P. Farrell married Vera Powers and has two daughters, Thelma and Erlynne. Howard Edward Farrell married Mary E. Jones and has one daughter, Joyce. All of the children and grandchildren were born in Toledo.

It was in the year of his marriage that Mr. Farrell obtained a position with the Gendron Wheel Company, with which he remained until 1893, when he decided to establish business on his own account. Although his capital was small, he rented a little store at 326 White street in East Toledo, purchased the necessary fixtures and secured a small stock of merchandise. When this was done he found that his remaining capital consisted of a dollar and twenty cents, but with unfaltering courage and determined purpose he bent his energies toward the upbuilding of the trade and in course of time established a retail and manufacturing furniture business second to none in northwestern Ohio. His present store is located at 120-24 Summit street and is one of the finest in the city, for he carries a full and complete line of the products manufactured in the leading furniture houses of America. He is constantly studying the public requirements and keeps on hand a stock that meets every demand, recognizing at all times that satisfied customers are the best advertisement. Mr. Farrell is also the inventor and patentee of the Sit-O-Sleep davenport bed, having secured patents on this in England, France, Germany, Argentine, Mexico and Canada as well as in the United States. This piece of furniture sells throughout the civilized world and has brought to its inventor a very substantial financial return. He is also the patentee of the Sit-O-Sleep bed chair, a marvelously comfortable and practically indispensable piece of furniture which is manufactured by the E. R. Farrell (Sit-O-Sleep) Furniture Company, of which Mr. Farrell is president, and which is shipped to all points of the globe.

Fraternally Mr. Farrell is connected with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose and

the Protected Home Circle. He is likewise a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and is interested in everything that has to do with community welfare and civic progress. He has always been a deep student of politics and has delivered many public addresses on political issues, particularly those pertaining to national welfare. In a word he has recognized the duties and obligations as well as the privileges of citizenship and he has done not a little to mold public thought and opinion. At the same time he has won and maintained his place among the foremost business men of Toledo, advancing step by step through his own capability and unfaltering effort until his position in commercial and manufacturing circles is one of leadership.

DAVID BOYD BUSHEY

The duties of the responsible office of county treasurer of Wood county are being performed by David B. Bushey in a manner that has earned for him the commendation and confidence of his fellowmen. Born in Bloom township, Wood county, Ohio, on the 10th day of November, 1880, he is a son of J. A. and Cora B. (Slaughterback) Bushey. The family was established in Ohio by his grandfather, David Bushey, who came to this state from New England.

Mr. Bushey received a good education, attending the public schools, Findlay College and the Tri-State Normal School at Angola, Indiana. He taught school for twenty-four years, three years in Henry township, fifteen years in Bloom township and six years in North Baltimore, and gained a high reputation as an able, devoted and successful educator, his services being in constant demand. In 1926 he was nominated on the republican ticket for county treasurer, was elected by a good majority and is now serving in that position. He gives close attention to his official duties, in the discharge of which he has exercised sound discretion and clear headed judgment, and is taking good care of the finances of the county. He is also a director of the North Baltimore Tractor & Machine Company. For several years he has been

interested in leasing, contracting and producing oil in this vicinity.

On August 19, 1902, Mr. Bushey was united in marriage to Miss Osyth L. Michener, daughter of James W. and Mary E. (Young) Michener of Bloom township. They are now the parents of three children, namely: Geneva Irene, who was graduated from Otterbein University in 1925 and is now teaching in the public schools of Findlay, Ohio; Mervin Emerson and Iva Mae.

Mr. Bushey is a member of the Knights of Pythias and he and his wife are earnest members of the United Brethren church, of which he is a trustee. He is also president of the Wood County Sunday School Association. He gives his support to all worthy benevolent or charitable causes and takes a helpful interest in those things which are calculated to promote the public welfare; member of the Commercial Club of North Baltimore and Bowling Green and of the Isaak Walton League of America. He is courteous and unaffected in manner, cordial and friendly in his social relations and throughout the range of his acquaintance commands the genuine respect and esteem of his fellowmen.

CHARLES A. HOCHENEDEL

Charles A. Hochenedel, a competent and well known civil engineer of Fremont, who is now deputy county surveyor, was born in Fremont in 1871 and is a son of John B. and Sarah (Burkhold) Hochenedel. In the public and parochial schools of this city he received his elementary education, after which he entered Ohio Normal University at Ada, where he pursued the engineering course. He then entered the office of the county surveyor at Fremont, but later engaged in the livery business. In 1901 he was elected county surveyor, in which capacity he served until 1907. He then opened an office and has since engaged in making private surveys as well as serving as deputy surveyor in charge of engineers in the present force of the county surveyor's department, in which he is regarded as an expert and thoroughly dependable.

Mr. Hochenedel was united in marriage to Miss Lena

Schrickel, of Fremont, and they are the parents of a son, Harold Earl, who was born in 1903, graduated in engineering and mineralogy from the Case School of Applied Science, at Cleveland, and is now in the county surveyor's office. Mr. Hochenedel is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Chamber of Commerce. He has served for nineteen years as secretary of the Sandusky County Agricultural Society, is the city engineer of the village of Gibsonburg and is regarded as absolutely trustworthy in the discharge of any duty devolving upon him.

OLIVER A. OVERMYER

The Dodge line of automobiles has been very extensively sold in Huron, Sandusky and neighboring counties through the active and persistent efforts of Oliver A. Overmyer, of Bellevue, who enjoys the distinction of being one of the oldest Dodge dealers, in point of years of service, in this section of the state. He is now president of the Overmyer, Zechman & Ball Company and is regarded as an able and progressive business man. Mr. Overmyer was born in Lindsey, Sandusky county, Ohio, in 1887, and is a son of Allen W. and Laura (Depp) Overmyer, the father having engaged in commercial affairs in that locality.

He secured his education in the public schools of Lindsey and took an academic course in Northwestern College, at Naperville, Illinois. He became the manager of the local telephone company, which position he held for one and a half years, after which he went to Green Springs, Ohio, and engaged in the hardware business, which he carried on for three years. In 1912 Mr. Overmyer came to Bellevue and for about eight months worked in a department store, after which he turned his attention to the automobile business, establishing a garage and general agency. In 1914 he acquired the agency for the Dodge cars in four counties, and also handles the Graham trucks. He met with gratifying success and in 1919 the business was incorporated as the Overmyer, Zechman & Ball Company, of which he is president. They have an attractive salesroom and a well equipped repair shop and

are prepared to render the highest grade of service promptly and at reasonable rates. He has a branch agency in Sandusky and also has six associate dealers at other points. Mr. Overmyer is also a director of the First National Bank of Bellevue and of the Bellevue Manufacturing Company.

In 1909 Mr. Overmyer was united in marriage to Miss Ida Bloker, daughter of Frank and Lucy (Faught) Bloker, of Lindsey, Ohio. They are the parents of three children, LaVahn, who is a student in Ohio Wesleyan University, at Delaware, Verrell E. and Richard A. Mr. Overmyer is an active republican and has shown a commendable interest in local affairs, having served two terms as a member of the city council and is now a member of the board of education. He belongs to Bellevue Lodge, No. 273, F. and A. M., Bellevue Chapter, No. 113, R. A. M., Fremont Council, No. 64, R. & S. M., Fremont Commandery, No. 56, K. T., Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Toledo. He is also a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Plumb Brook Country Club. He manifests an enterprising spirit in all of his business affairs and is devoting his efforts closely to the automobile trade, with very gratifying results. He adheres to the highest business ideals, has proven a reliable man in every relation of life and has won and retains the unqualified respect of all who have dealt with him.

GEORGE A. TRUE

Endowed with more than one talent, George A. True has won success in the legal profession, as well as in the fields of business and finance, and occupies a central place on the stage of activity in Port Clinton, his native town. He was born December 31, 1865, a son of Oliver J. and Eunice J. (Sanderson) True, and represents an old and honored family of Port Clinton. The father was roadmaster of the Lake Shore Railroad and remained in its service for many years. In politics he was a democrat and earnestly cooperated in all movements destined to prove of benefit to his community. He was a thirty-second degree Mason and a charter member

of Oliver H. Perry Lodge, F. & A. M., of which he was chosen master, and his grandson, George Oliver True, is now filling that office. In 1905 Oliver J. True was called to his final rest, and his wife's death occurred in 1909. They were the parents of six children, five sons and a daughter. Three children have passed away and those now living are Dr. C. C. True, E. M. True and George A. True.

The last named attended the public schools of Port Clinton and when a young man of twenty-three was made principal of the local high school. He filled the position for two years and was a member of the board of county school examiners from 1890 to 1900, contributing materially toward the educational advancement of this part of the state. His training for the legal profession was obtained in the University of Michigan, which conferred upon him the degree of LL. B., and in 1893 he was admitted to the bar. For thirty-five years he has practiced in Port Clinton, successfully handling much important litigation during that period, and is now a member of the firm of True, Crawford & True. George A. True qualified for practice in the United States circuit court in 1894, the supreme court of the United States in 1904 and the United States circuit court of appeals in 1924. He is secretary and a director of the Matthews Company and president of the American Bank and the Port Clinton Lumber & Coal Company. Methodical and systematic, he has scattered his energies without lessening their force and is an executive of unusual capacity and ability.

In 1896 Mr. True married Miss Agnes M. Crawford, of Port Clinton, and they have two children, George Oliver and Alice. Both received the A. B. degree from the University of Michigan, and the daughter is the wife of O. M. Baker, of New York city.

Mr. True is an ex-president of the Kiwanis Club of Port Clinton and belongs to the local Yacht Club, the Catawba Cliffs Beach and Country Clubs, the Mallard Club, the East Bay Sporting Club, the West Bay Hunting Club and the Ottawa County and Ohio State Bar Associations. In politics he is a democrat and as president of the board of education he has done much constructive work. His best efforts have been exerted in behalf of his community, and his life record

affords a notable example of what constitutes good citizenship.

George Oliver True was born in Port Clinton in 1900 and supplemented his public school education by attendance at the University of Michigan, which conferred upon him the A. B. degree in 1921 and that of J. D. in 1923. In July, 1923, he was admitted to the bar and has since engaged in general practice in Port Clinton. He is a talented attorney, well known in legal circles of this locality as the junior member of the firm of True, Crawford & True. In 1923 he married Miss Katharine M. Andrews, of Detroit, Michigan, and they have become the parents of a daughter, Mary Joanne, born December 23, 1928. Mr. True is a York and Scottish Rite Mason, identified with the lodge, chapter and commandery, and is master of his lodge. He is also a member of the Port Clinton Yacht Club and the Ottawa County and Ohio State Bar Associations. Mrs. True is active in the work of the Episcopal church and also in the affairs of the Ladies Social Club and Thursday Study Club and other organizations of a literary and social nature.

J. FRED GRAVES

A man of well balanced capacities and powers, J. Fred Graves has prospered in business and financial affairs and is one of the influential citizens of Lakeside. He was born in Danbury township, Ottawa county, Ohio, in 1875, a son of Henry A. and Caroline (Bretz) Graves. The father was a native of Sandusky, Ohio, and followed agricultural pursuits, also dealing in live stock.

Reared on the home farm, J. Fred Graves attended the rural schools of Danbury township and was graduated from the Sandusky Business College in 1895. He engaged in farming until July, 1919, when he removed to Lakeside, where he has since made his home. He is one of the directors and the cashier of the Bank of Marblehead and has furthered its success by efficient, conscientious work. The other officers are: Louis St. Marie, president; H. G. Gulau, vice president; and J. R. Lane, assistant cashier. Mr. Graves is

president of the Ottawa Basket Company of Oak Harbor and manifests keen sagacity in the administration of its affairs. He is an experienced, capable business man, as well as an astute financier, and during 1897 and 1898 was a hardware merchant of Sandusky, conducting a store in partnership with his uncle, Henry Foster.

In 1900 Mr. Graves married Miss Mary Melchoir, of Sandusky, and they have two daughters: Norma Lane, of Lakeside; and Mrs. Ruth Draheim, who resides in Detroit, Michigan. The parents are Congregationalists in religious faith, and Mrs. Graves is active in the work of the Ladies Aid Society and in social affairs. Mr. Graves casts his ballot for the candidates of the democratic party and has served two terms as township trustee. For one term he was township treasurer, exercising his talents as readily for the public weal as for his own success. He is connected with the Marblehead lodge of the Knights of Pythias, the Port Clinton council of Masons, the Civic Club and the Catawba Cliffs Country Club. His ability, honesty and devotion to duty are well known and have met with a rich return in personal regard as well as material gain.

EDWARD HENRY DEPENTHAL

Death often removes from our midst those whom we can ill afford to lose, and Toledo mourned the loss of one of her representative and honored residents when Edward Henry Depenthal passed away September 10, 1927. He had a wide acquaintance and was held in the highest regard by all who knew him because of his personal qualities and his high business principles. His birth occurred November 6, 1868, in the city in which he spent his entire life. His father, Christopher Depenthal, passed away many years ago, while his mother, Mrs. Catherine Depenthal, is still living in Toledo and is nearing the ninetieth milestone on life's journey. Both were born in Alsace-Lorraine and the former came to America with his parents, at which time the family home was established in Toledo. In boyhood he always manifested a keen interest in horses and later he engaged in the business

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of buying and selling horses, so that his son, Edward H. Depenthal, gained considerable knowledge along that line, and when he became old enough he established a trucking business, having previously acquired his education in the public and high schools of Toledo. During his boyhood days he was extremely active and he decided that he would enter upon a business rather than a professional career. He was successful in his trucking enterprise and had soon secured a patronage far in excess of that of many men who had been in similar business for a much longer period. Eventually he erected a warehouse at the corner of Morris and Hall streets in Toledo and the building now standing there has forty-four thousand cubic feet. It is modern in every respect and is a monument to the enterprise and progressive spirit of Mr. Depenthal.

On the 2d of December, 1922, was celebrated the marriage of Edward H. Depenthal and Miss Sara Murdoch, daughter of John T. and Elizabeth (Vogeley) Murdoch, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Her father was a native of Edinburgh, Scotland, and was always identified with the steel business. For some years he was connected with the Otis Steel Company of Cleveland, Ohio, and later went to Pittsburgh, where he was identified with the Crucible Steel Company. His wife was a native of Natrona, Pennsylvania, and by their marriage they became the parents of eleven children, which number included Mrs. Depenthal, who was educated in the public and high schools of Pittsburgh and is now actively engaged in the management of the business which was established by her husband and is now conducted under the name of the Depenthal Truck & Storage Company, operating several motor trucks. Recently the company had a three and one-half ton Federal truck made to order that will contain one thousand cubic feet and will render a service de luxe, being equipped with two cots furnishing sleeping quarters for the men. The floor and top are of hardwood and the truck is dust-proof. It is especially designed for long-distance and city hauling and is the last word in storage trucks, being the finest in this part of Ohio. Mrs. Depenthal displays marked capability in the management of her business interests. She is also active in out-of-door sports and

has membership in the Sylvania Golf Club, Women's City Club and Vocational Club and is active in the Collingwood church.

Mr. Depenthal gave his political allegiance to the republican party but never aspired to office. His hobby was fine horses and he always had several of the best riding horses in this section and took prominent part in promoting horse shows. He was keenly interested in local military organizations and he was well known in the club life of the community, belonging to the Sylvania Golf Club of Toledo and having a life membership in the Toledo Yacht Club. He was likewise a member of the National Warehouse & Furniture Association and a charter member of the Ohio Warehouse Association. He belonged to the Toledo Warehouse Association and attended the national meetings of these organizations in various cities and states and also made trips to the Pacific Coast. He assisted in many civic enterprises which contributed to the development, upbuilding and improvement of Toledo and at all times he stood for business progress. A man of high standards, his life was well spent and he had a host of friends who entertained for him the warmest regard and deepest affection. He deserved much credit for what he accomplished, as he worked his way steadily upward through determination and ability, and the interests which he laid down are now being wisely carried on by Mrs. Depenthal.

JOHN W. BEBOUT

Among the younger members of the Toledo bar is numbered John W. Bebout, a strong and able lawyer, thoroughly equipped for the work of his profession. He was born in St. Louisville, Licking county, Ohio, April 10, 1898, and is a son of Edward and Bessie (Hobbs) Bebout. John Bebout, Sr., the American progenitor of the family, was a native of France and went from that country to Holland, afterward coming to the new world. He first settled in New Jersey and later migrated to Pennsylvania. While living in New Jersey he joined the Continental troops, and his son, John Bebout, Jr., also served under General Washington in the

Revolutionary war. Ebenezer Bebout, the great-grandfather of John W. Bebout, was born in Pennsylvania and became one of the early settlers of Licking county, Ohio, where he engaged in farming until his demise. His wife was Mary Jane Craig. Their son, Harry Bebout, who also followed agricultural pursuits, married Esther Boyer, and both passed away in St. Louisville, Ohio. They were the parents of Edward Bebout, who was born in St. Louisville in 1876 and likewise became a tiller of the soil but is now living retired in Newark, Ohio. He is a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church and served on the school board, also filling other local offices, to which he was elected on the republican ticket. His wife's parents were John and Arvilla (Thayer) Hobbs, of Utica, Ohio. The father of Mrs. Bebout was a native of Knox county, Ohio, and fought in the Union army during the Civil war. To Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bebout were born six children: John W. and Hollie H., of Toledo; Mrs. Ruby Dankmeier, who lives in Newark, Ohio; Leah, a resident of Toledo; and Harry and Pansy, both deceased.

John W. Bebout acquired his early education in the country schools of Eden township, Licking county, and was graduated from the Newark high school in 1917. His advanced studies were pursued in the University of Ohio and Ohio State University, which latter awarded him the A. B. degree in 1921 and that of LL. B. in 1923. In the latter year he was admitted to the bar and then located in Toledo, becoming connected with the law firm of Miller & Brady. In 1927 he was admitted to a partnership in the firm of Miller, Brady & Yager, with which he has since been associated. He is a trial lawyer and wins a large percentage of his cases owing to his logic, forcefulness and skill in their presentation.

On the 15th of September, 1924, Mr. Bebout was married in Columbus, Ohio, to Miss Vonda Ely, a native of Spencerville, this state, and a daughter of Richard and Ethel (Purdy) Ely, of Columbus. Mrs. Bebout was graduated from the Columbus high school and took a two years' course in the Ohio State University. Mr. and Mrs. Bebout have become the parents of a daughter, Bonnie Lou, who was born June 29, 1927.

Mr. Bebout is identified with the Masonic order, belong-

ing to Columbus Lodge, No. 1037, F. & A. M., and his wife is connected with the Eastern Star. She is affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal church, and Mr. Bebout is a member of the Church of Christ. He belongs to the Auburndale Exchange Club, the Delta Theta Phi and Delta Sigma Rho college fraternities and the Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar Associations. In politics he is a republican and heartily indorses every movement for the general good. He enjoys outdoor sports and is a devotee of golf. By nature he is frank, honest and generous, and these qualities have drawn to him a wide circle of loyal friends.

LEO ALBERT LEBOWSKY

Leo A. Lebowsky, owner of a prosperous sheet metal business in Toledo, is essentially a self-made man, having attained success solely through his own rightly directed efforts, and he well merits the high place which he holds in business circles. He was born in Toledo on the 25th of August, 1885, and is a son of Christ and Bertha (Reich) Lebowsky, both of whom were natives of Germany, the father born in the province of Mecklenburg and the mother in Posen. The father, who was a millwright by trade, gave his political support to the republican party, and he and his wife were members of the German Lutheran church. Both are deceased, the father dying in Toledo in June, 1924, at the age of sixty-one years, and the mother in April, 1922, at the age of fifty-eight years.

Leo A. Lebowsky attended the parochial schools of Toledo to the age of thirteen years, when he was apprenticed to the blacksmith trade, at a wage of three dollars a week, and remained with the Milburn Wagon Works of Toledo for two years. He then became an apprentice to the sheet metal trade, and at the same time took a course in sheet metal working with the International Correspondence School, of Scranton, Pennsylvania. He was with J. D. Gerkin of Toledo for ten years, at the end of which time he became shop foreman for the M. J. Ramler Company, holding that position for five years. He then bought J. J. Curran's sheet metal shop at 620 Monroe street, but later moved the business to

25 North Erie street. In 1925 he brought the business to its present location, at 29 Vance street, where he does all kinds of industrial sheet metal work and has built up a large and prosperous business.

On November 24, 1928, in Columbus, Ohio, Mr. Lebowsky was united in marriage to Mrs. Marion (Provost) Dickerhoff, a native of Toledo and a daughter of Ely Provost, who now resides at Stanley, Wisconsin. Mrs. Lebowsky attended the public schools of Toledo. She is a member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the Toledo Sisterhood of the Knights of Malta. By a previous marriage Mr. Lebowsky is the father of two daughters, Lenoa and Helen, the former of whom is attending the Tri-State Business University of Toledo.

Mr. and Mrs. Lebowsky are active members of Zion Lutheran church. He is a republican in his political faith and is a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Malta. He was formerly a member of the Bay View Shooting Club and of the American Rifle Men's Association. He is a man of sterling character and in every relation of life has shown himself worthy of the esteem in which he is held. His residence is at 615 West Dudley, Maumee, Ohio.

CHARLES C. F. SIEVING

The well directed labors of Charles C. F. Sieving have become an integral part of the business of The Western Manufacturing Company, a prominent Toledo firm, with which he has been connected from boyhood, and in the steps of an orderly progression he has risen to the office of vice president. He was born in this city in 1870, a son of E. H. and Sophia (Puck) Sieving, who are now deceased. The father was connected with the lumber industry throughout his commercial career and was associated with The Western Manufacturing Company for a few years.

Charles C. F. Sieving attended the public schools of Toledo until he reached the age of fifteen and then became an employe of The Western Manufacturing Company, with

which he has since continued. He started as a tally boy and at the end of six months was transferred to the office, becoming assistant to the bookkeeper. At the age of sixteen he was placed in charge of the books and has since had supervision of the accounting end of the business, also acting as purchasing agent and in other capacities. Owing to his broad experience and unusual adaptability Mr. Sieving is capable of managing every department of the industry, and his expert work has been essential to its growth and success. He has filled the office of vice president since 1925 and has given to the company forty-four years of faithful, efficient service.

In 1897 Mr. Sieving married Miss Ida Melcher, of Cleveland, Ohio, and they have become the parents of two sons: Carl, who is married, and Paul, both of whom are employed in the office of The Western Manufacturing Company; and three daughters; Dorothea, who married R. F. Walker and is living in Cleveland; Elsa and Elma, who are at home.

The family are affiliated with the Salem Lutheran church and Mrs. Sieving is an earnest worker in its behalf. In politics Mr. Sieving is a stanch democrat but has never sought office as a reward for party fealty. He is a trustee of the Social Service Federation and also takes an active part in the affairs of the Toledo Choral Society. His influence is always on the side of movements for uplift, reform and progress, and that he is a man of high moral worth is indicated by the enviable place which he holds in the esteem of Toledo's citizens, with whom his life has been spent.

PAUL DE LA BARRE, M. D.

Time has demonstrated the worth of Dr. Paul de la Barre, a physician of high standing in Port Clinton. He was born in Stettin, Germany, in 1851, a son of Barnhardt and Louise de la Barre, and studied pharmacy in that country, which he left when a young man of thirty-one. In 1882 he sailed for the United States and was engaged in pharmaceutical work in New York city for three years. In 1885 he entered the

Cleveland Medical College and was graduated with the class of 1887.

Throughout the period of his connection with the medical profession Dr. de la Barre has practiced in Port Clinton and in years of continuous service is its oldest physician. Experience and study have broadened his knowledge and enhanced his skill, and his ministrations have been beneficially resultant. He organized the Ottawa County Medical Society, becoming its first president, and was a member of the Ohio State Medical Society for many years. His has been a life of tireless industry, fraught with the accomplishment of much good, and at the age of seventy-eight years he is still active in his profession.

BLAKE-MORE GODWIN

Blake-More Godwin, director of the Toledo Museum of Art, was born in Clinton, Henry county, Missouri, January 13, 1894, a son of William Mastin and Jean Audree (Blakemore) Godwin. The father was a representative of an old Missouri family that removed to that state from Kentucky and originally from Virginia and comes of English ancestry. He was reared and educated in his native state and, turning his attention to the real estate business, has been active along that line for the past forty years, being numbered among the representative business men of Clinton. In politics he maintains an independent course, voting for men and measures rather than party. His religious faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal church, South. His wife, a native of Missouri and a representative of one of its pioneer families, also traces her ancestry to Virginia and is of English lineage. Mr. and Mrs. William M. Godwin became parents of two sons, the younger being James J. Godwin of St. Louis.

The elder, Blake-More Godwin, pursued a public and high school education in Clinton, completing the latter as a member of the class of 1911. He then entered the University of Missouri at Columbia and won the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1915. He spent the succeeding year in Princeton University, which conferred upon him the Master of Arts degree

in 1916. Prior to the completion of his university work he was assistant in classical archaeology and the history of art in the University of Missouri from 1912 until 1915 and was a fellow in art and archaeology in Princeton until 1916, when he came to Toledo as curator of the Museum of Art, filling that position until 1926. The following year he was made director of the Toledo Museum and so continues. His training and executive qualities well qualify him for the responsibilities of this position. He is also a trustee of the Toledo University, having been thus associated with the school for the past ten years.

On the 30th of June, 1926, Mr. Godwin married Miss Molly Conant Ohl, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Ohl, of Toledo, representatives of old and well known families of this city. Mrs. Godwin belongs to the Women's Club and is dean of the Toledo Museum School of Design. They reside at Scott place and are well known socially. When leisure permits Mr. Godwin finds diversion in fishing, but the greater part of his attention is given to his duties as director of the Toledo Museum of Art. He is a councillor of the American Association of Museums, a member of the Museum Directors Association, the College Art Association, the Archaeological Institute of America and of the Phi Beta Kappa. His writings include biographies of American painters and sculptors in "Allgemeines Künstler Lexikon," to which he has contributed since 1921, and articles on art for many periodicals. He made the designs for Gothic Hall and other features of the Toledo Museum.

EARL F. CAMPER

Earl F. Camper, secretary and treasurer of the Genoa Building & Loan Association, is one of the wide-awake and progressive young business men of the town of Genoa, where his birth occurred in 1896 and where he has spent the greater part of his life. He is a son of John A. and Rose (Ernst) Camper, the latter a native of Sandusky, Ohio. The father devoted the greater part of his active life to farming in Ottawa county and was also a prominent figure in local poli-

tics, serving as township clerk and as village clerk. At all times he gave his political support to the democratic party, while fraternally he was connected with the Knights of The Maccabees and his religious affiliation was with St. John's Evangelical church. He died in the year 1898. In his family were two sons and a daughter: Earl F.; Ralph E., who is a resident of Genoa and is serving as clerk of the school board and township clerk; and Olive, now deceased.

The youthful days of Earl F. Camper were spent in the usual manner of the farm-bred boy, and after he had completed a course in the public and high schools of Genoa he started out to provide for his own support as an employe of the Toledo Edison Company, with which he was connected until 1923, save for the period of his service as a soldier in the World war from 1917 until January, 1919. He joined Company A of the Three Hundred and Forty-seven Infantry, which was assigned to the Eighty-seventh Division, and he was overseas from August until December, 1918, when he returned to America as a non-commissioned officer. When he was discharged he reentered the employ of the Toledo Edison Company, with which he continued until 1923, when he accepted the position of secretary and treasurer of the Genoa Building & Loan Association, which was organized in that year, its officers being J. E. Brunner, president; George Brunner, vice president; E. F. Camper, secretary and treasurer; W. D. Skilliter, Ell Dolph, H. W. Bergman, William Herman, C. T. La Cost, H. C. Wight and Dr. E. D. Schuiteman, directors, while L. K. Chambers is attorney for the organization. From the beginning Mr. Camper has been a stockholder as well as one of the directors and officers of the company, which has contributed in large measure to the material improvement and upbuilding of Genoa. This is the only building and loan association in Ottawa county, and through its agency many people have been enabled to buy or build homes.

In all matters of general concern Mr. Camper is deeply interested, and his labors have been a factor in public progress throughout the period of his residence here. He is serving as secretary of the board of public affairs, has been village clerk and for one term a member of the city council. He

votes with the democratic party, of which he is accounted a local leader, and he belongs to the Exchange Club, formed to promote the business expansion of the city. Fraternally he is a Mason and has attained the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite, while his religious faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal church. He possesses many sterling traits of character, and a spirit of friendliness is entertained for him by all with whom he has come in contact.

HENRY HARRISON McUMBER, D. D. S.

Close application has constituted the basis of the success of Dr. Henry Harrison McUmber, a well known dentist of Toledo and an able exponent of his profession. He was born in Shelby, Iowa, July 25, 1889, a son of Cassius and Mary (Reder) McUmber. His grandfather, the Rev. G. M. McUmber, was a Methodist minister of Iowa and married a Miss Powers, a native of the Empire state. Cassius McUmber was born in Batavia, New York, in October, 1846, and engaged in farming for many years. After his retirement he established his home in Los Angeles, California, where he passed away November 3, 1921. He was an adherent of the republican party and a member of the Presbyterian church. His wife was born in Marion, Indiana, November 20, 1854, and now resides in Glendale, California. Her father, John Reder, was a native of Germany. He followed agricultural pursuits in the United States for many years and spent the latter part of his life at Greenfield, Tennessee. His wife, Carrie (Ward) Reder, was born in Indiana and also passed away at Greenfield.

Dr. McUmber obtained his early instruction in Greenfield and was graduated from the high school at St. Joseph, Michigan, in 1910. He was next a student at the University of Michigan, from which he received the degree of D. D. S. in 1913, and has since followed his profession in Toledo. His office in the Nicholas building is equipped with the latest and best dental appliances, and his ability and skill have enabled him to gain a large practice.

On the 30th of June, 1916, Dr. McUmber was married in

St. Johns, Michigan, to Miss Nell Church, a daughter of Wilbur T. and Nettie J. (Reynolds) Church. Her father was a prosperous live stock dealer and owned many acres of valuable farm lands. He passed away in 1915, but Mrs. Church still resides at St. Johns. Mrs. McUmber took a course in the State Normal School at Mount Pleasant, Michigan, and engaged in teaching for a year prior to her marriage. Dr. and Mrs. McUmber have become the parents of two children: Henry Harrison, Jr., who was born September 24, 1918; and Eleanor May, born July 21, 1921.

The Doctor and his wife are affiliated with the First Unitarian church, and Mrs. McUmber is active in its work and also in the affairs of the Woman's Club of Toledo. The Doctor is a republican and aided in furthering the success of the various drives promulgated by the government during the World war. He is a member of the Torch Club, the local, state and national dental societies and the American Academy of Periodontology. He keeps in close touch with the progress that is constantly being made by his profession, upholding its high standards, and he possesses those qualities which make for esteem and friendship.

A. O. DEHN

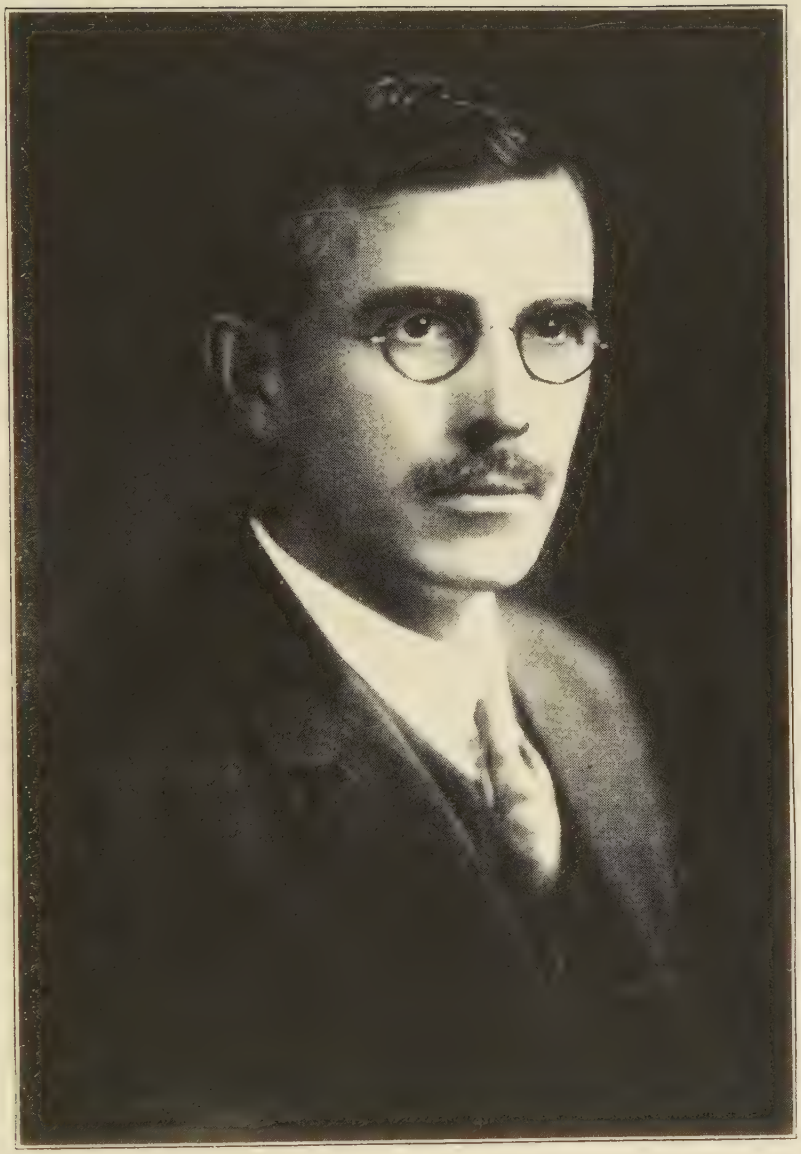
A. O. Dehn has devoted his life to educational work, in which he has won a gratifying measure of success, and is widely and favorably known throughout northwestern Ohio owing to his achievements as superintendent of schools of Ottawa county. For eight years he was a teacher in rural schools of this county and then took charge of the Rockyridge schools, of which he had supervision for three years. He was elected county auditor for a term of two years but tendered his resignation at the end of ten months to accept the superintendency of the Ottawa county schools and has served continuously since August 1, 1914. Under his regime notable improvements have been made in the curriculum and the methods of instruction followed in the county, and his work has elicited high commendation.

Mr. Dehn won the A. B. degree from Toledo University and is now preparing for the M. A. degree in the Ohio State University. He keeps in close touch with the most advanced thought of the day along educational lines and has placed the schools of Ottawa county upon a high plane. About three-fourths of the pupils are now in a centralized or consolidated school, and music, manual training and home economics are taught in the schools of the county. All high school pupils are conveyed to the schools.

AMOS LINT

Amos Lint, president of the City Machine & Tool Company, is one of Toledo's most enterprising and progressive business men and has been very successful in his affairs. He was born in Dayton, Ohio, on the 9th of November, 1872, a son of William and Eve Ann (Stauffer) Lint. His father, who was a blacksmith by trade, was born in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and died in Dayton, Ohio. He served for four years and three months in the Union army during the Civil war, reenlisting as a corporal. He was under the command of General Sherman and was wounded in the battle of Chickamauga. He was a republican in politics and was a member of the German Baptist church. His wife was born in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, and was a daughter of Amos Stauffer, who also was a native of Lancaster, whence he moved to Dayton, Ohio, where he became a successful flour miller.

Amos Lint received his education in the district schools of Montgomery county, Ohio, and then became associated with his father in the latter's blacksmith shop. After following that line of work for four years, he learned the machinist's trade, serving a four years apprenticeship with the Dayton Tool & Die Works. He and Olander Garrison formed a partnership, under the name of Garrison & Lint, and went into business as machinists and die builders. Three years later Mr. Lint sold his interest in the company to his partner and started in business on his own account under the name of the City Machine Tool Works. This he carried on successfully until 1914, when he came to Toledo and organized the City



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Machine & Tool Company, of which he was the proprietor. This proved a successful venture and in the following year the business was incorporated and he was elected president, which position he has retained to the present time. The company's operations are now confined exclusively to the building of dies, mostly for the automobile trade. Mr. Lint is also a director of the Home Bank & Trust Company, and president of both the Cornell Supply Company and the City Auto Stamping Company, of Toledo.

In January, 1902, in Dayton, Ohio, Mr. Lint was united in marriage to Miss Myrtle Maude Ferris, who was born in Brookville, Ohio, a daughter of the late Thomas and Jane (Harding) Ferris, and was educated in the public schools of Union City, Indiana, and Union City College. Mr. and Mrs. Lint are the parents of a son, Robert Ferris, who was born May 11, 1913.

Mr. Lint is a member of Barton Smith Lodge, No. 613, F. & A. M.; Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and various local civic and social organizations, and he and his wife belong to the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church, to which they give liberal support. Mr. Lint is a veteran of the Spanish-American war, in which he served as a private in the Engineering Corps. Though a very busy man, he occasionally indulges in his favorite outdoor sport—big game hunting—and usually brings home tangible proof of his marksmanship. He bears a high reputation in business circles of Toledo as a man of substantial qualities and dependable judgment and is greatly respected by all who are associated with him in either a business or social way. His residence is at 2104 Richmond road, Toledo.

WILLIAM EDWARD WOLFE

During the past eleven years William Edward Wolfe has gained a place in the front rank of the capable and successful business men of Fremont, where he is directing the affairs of the Fangboner Seed Company, one of the leading concerns in its line in Sandusky county. He was born in Fremont in 1869 and is a son of A. J. and Jennie (Stults)

Wolfe. The father was extensively engaged in farming and also did a large grain business here for many years but is now deceased.

William E. Wolfe was educated in the public schools of Fremont and attended the high school, but left before his graduation to become an instructor in a district school, teaching five winter terms. He also attended Stedman's Business College in Toledo, after which he embarked in the grocery business, first conducting his interests under the firm name of Waggoner & Wolfe and subsequently under the style of Stull & Wolfe. He remained in the grocery business for five years, then farmed for about a year and afterward became connected with his father in the grain business. In 1902 Mr. Wolfe went to Vickery, Ohio, and with two partners organized the Vickery Grain Company, with which he was identified until 1918, when he sold out, and, returning to Fremont, bought an interest in the Fangboner Seed Company, of which he became a director and treasurer, as well as general manager, in which capacity he is still serving. This well known concern is not only extensively engaged in handling seeds but also operates a large grain elevator and coal yard. It has had a very successful record and is accounted one of the solid and substantial business concerns of this locality.

Mr. Wolfe was first married in 1893 to Miss Hattie Tindal, who died in 1901, leaving a daughter, Helen, who passed away when a maiden of fourteen years. In 1904 Mr. Wolfe was united in marriage to Mrs. Louise Brodfueher and adopted her daughter, Miss Louise Brodfueher. The latter married Hugh Reardon of Fremont and is the mother of a daughter, Marjorie, five years of age.

Mr. Wolfe is an active supporter of the republican party and in Masonry has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. He is a director of the Fremont Golf Club, is vice president of the DeMars Hunting and Fishing Club and also has membership in the Port Clinton Yacht Club. For many years he has been a trustee of the Presbyterian church, to which his wife also belongs. The latter is likewise a member of several social and civic organizations, taking a deep interest in matters affecting the welfare of her com-

munity. Mr. Wolfe has never been found wanting in his support of all measures for the promotion of the best interests of Fremont and is recognized as one of its most progressive and enterprising citizens.

GEORGE EDWARD MYERS

To have served for over forty years as one of the principal officers of a leading financial institution is a strong testimonial to a man's ability and integrity. Such has been the record of George E. Myers, who has been secretary of the Home Building and Savings Company, of Toledo, continuously since 1887, having been the first and only secretary of that organization.

Mr. Myers was born in Lucas county, Ohio, May 26, 1852, and is a son of Simeon and Kresensia (Hass) Myers. His father was a native of Switzerland, from which country he came alone to the United States in 1849, and located at Monclova, Ohio. He was a baker by trade but on his arrival in this state took up farming and was also employed at clearing land along the Maumee river, which at that time was heavily wooded. Later he leased some land, on which he farmed until he entered the Union army during the Civil war, enlisting from Toledo and serving three years and three months. On his return home Mr. Myers engaged in the grocery business, but his death occurred shortly afterward, in 1865. His wife, who was a native of Baden Baden, Germany, came to this country alone and while on the boat crossing the Atlantic she met Mr. Myers, to whom she was married in 1850. To this union were born six children, all of whom are deceased excepting George E., of this review, and Edith, the wife of Henry Howe, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where Mr. Howe is connected with a large corporation. They have two children, Harry and Jack.

George E. Myers attended the public schools to the age of twelve years, and was then compelled to lay aside his textbooks to assist in supporting the family, his father having enlisted for the war. He worked at farming and in a grocery store until 1870, when he started a shoe store on Broadway

and carried the business on for eighteen years. In 1887 the first meeting of the Home Building and Savings Company was held in the rear of this store, at which time the following officers were elected: Gilbert Cannif, president; H. A. Schlingman, treasurer, and George E. Myers, secretary. Mr. Myers accepted temporarily the office to which he was chosen, until a permanent secretary could be found. At the end of the first year he was again elected, at which time he informed the officers and directors of the organization that he would have to decline the office or give up the shoe store. It was decided to dispose of the store and from that time to the present Mr. Myers has given his time to the interests of the Home Building and Savings Company. For the first twenty years the association occupied an office at 844 Broadway, and then erected its present building at Broadway and Segur avenue, at a cost of thirty-two thousand dollars, the building having a frontage of one hundred and sixty-two feet on Broadway. The company occupied the first floor of this building until 1927, since which time it has made use of the entire building. Twelve people are employed in the offices to care for the accounts and handle the business of fourteen thousand depositors all over the United States. In 1904, Mr. Myers established an insurance agency, selling all kinds of insurance excepting life insurance, and carried the business on as an individual until 1926, when it was incorporated under the name of the George E. Myers & Sons Company.

On September 7, 1881, Mr. Myers was united in marriage to Miss Amelia Morelock, of Toledo, and they are the parents of five children, as follows: Katherine died at the age of nine months. George is the next of the family. Ruth is the wife of Earl Forester, of Toledo, a major in the World war, and they have two children, George and Howard. Helen is the wife of Frank Black, an accountant, of Toledo, and their children are Katherine, the wife of Charles E. Shepherd, of Toledo, and Harriet M., the wife of Glenn Fitken, of Toledo, and the mother of two children, Harold and Glenn, Jr. Harold S., assistant secretary of the Home Building and Savings Company, was married June 1, 1925, to Miss Irene Steckel, a native of Tiffin, Ohio, and a daughter of William R. and Etta Steckel, both of whom are deceased. Harold S. and

Irene Myers are the parents of a daughter, Nancy Irene, born December 10, 1928.

Mr. Myers of this review has for many years been a member of Anthony Wayne Lodge, No. 141, K. P., and Toledo Lodge, No. 53, B. P. O. E. During the forty-two years of his connection with the Home Building and Savings Company he has handled its affairs with an ability and judgment that have redounded to the success of the company and the benefit of those who have invested their savings in it, and all who know him hold him in great respect for his sterling qualities and his fidelity to his trust. He has resided at 2356 Maplewood avenue since 1910, but previously had lived for thirty-one years at 1221 Broadway, where he first went to housekeeping after his marriage and where his children were all born.

FREDERICK S. HELLER, M. D.

No physician of Ottawa county is better known or enjoys a higher reputation than Dr. Frederick S. Heller, who has resided within its borders since early childhood and has practiced continuously in Oak Harbor for more than four decades. He was born in Fremont, Ohio, November 29, 1863, and when a boy of five came to Ottawa county with his parents. His father, George B. Heller, was county auditor for two terms and afterward engaged in the shoe business at Port Clinton. He passed away at Oak Harbor. His widow, who is one of its venerable citizens, was eighty-nine years of age in July, 1929.

Dr. Heller was a pupil in the public schools of Port Clinton and attended the Wesleyan University at Delaware, Ohio. In 1888 he received the degree of M. D. from the University of Michigan and since his graduation has engaged in general practice at Oak Harbor. In diagnosis he is thorough and painstaking, closely studying each case intrusted to his care, and utilizes his knowledge to good advantage in his efforts to combat disease. He has an extensive list of patients and in years of continuous service is one of the oldest physicians in the county. Dr. Heller is frequently called in consulta-

tion and is a member of the surgical staff of the Pool Hospital in Port Clinton. He also has business interests and is a director of the Gordon Lumber Company.

In 1893 Dr. Heller was married in Oak Harbor to Miss Gertrude Metzger, by whom he has two sons, Louis W. and Frederick, aged respectively thirty-four and twenty-seven years. Both are graduates of the University of Michigan and well known as mechanical engineers. Louis W. Heller is following his profession in Philadelphia, and the younger son is located in New York city.

Dr. and Mrs. Heller are affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal church, and Mrs. Heller is president of the board of the public library. The Doctor is an adherent of the democratic party and was county coroner for two terms. For ten years he served on the board of education and was also a councilman for some time, expressing his public spirit by actual achievements for the general good. Along fraternal lines he is connected with the Masons, the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Catawba Golf Club, the Exchange Club, the Ottawa County and Ohio State Medical Societies and the American Medical Association. Dr. Heller keeps in close touch with the advancement that is constantly being made in the fields of medical and surgical research and loves his profession for the good which it has enabled him to do.

JAMES W. BROWN

Obtaining his start in life by working in a flat hoop factory for fifty cents a day, James W. Brown has steadily progressed through industry and determination, becoming one of the substantial business men of Toledo, and he also figures prominently in public affairs as county parole officer. He was born in Wood county, Ohio, February 10, 1872, a son of Wilson W. and Clarissa (Lohman) Brown, and is of English descent in the paternal line. Born December 25, 1839, the father was reared in Indiana, his native state, which he left prior to the outbreak of the Civil war, settling in Hancock county, Ohio. In April, 1861, he enlisted in the

Union army, joining the Twenty-first Regiment of Ohio Volunteer Infantry, with which he served until September, 1863, and during the battle of Chickamauga received injuries from which he never fully recovered. As a young man he was a locomotive engineer, but afterward purchased land in Wood county, Ohio, where he engaged in farming from 1870 until 1910, when he established his home in Toledo. He was a member of the United Brethren church and gave his political support to the republican party, whose principles he stanchly upheld. While following agricultural pursuits he was nominated for the office of sheriff of Wood county but withdrew from the race, having no political aspirations. He remained in Toledo until his death, which occurred on Christmas day of 1916, when he was seventy-seven years of age. His wife was born near Fostoria, Ohio, March 1, 1845, and passed away in Temperance, Michigan, February 21, 1919, at the age of seventy-four years. She was a member of a German family that was founded in the eastern part of the United States, presumably in New Jersey, whence removal was later made to Ohio. Wilson W. Brown and Clarissa Lohman were married in Findlay, Ohio, and became the parents of ten children, of whom nine attained mature years.

James W. Brown, the fifth in order of birth, attended the public schools of Bellville Ridge, the site of the first settlement in Wood county, and remained on the home farm until he reached the age of twenty-two years. In 1894, in association with W. L. Meeker, a brother-in-law, he entered into a contract with the W. L. Milner Company, proprietors of the first department store in Toledo, agreeing to furnish drivers, horses and wagons for delivering all of the goods sold in their establishment. The partners engaged in this line of contracting successfully for four years, disposing of the business at the end of that time, and Mr. Brown next became a dealer in furniture. In that enterprise he was associated with Chris Finkbeiner, who had formerly served as recorder of Wood county. It was in 1898 that they opened their store at First and Main streets, where they remained until 1914, when they secured more commodious quarters in the Masonic Temple building, and there conducted one of the leading furniture establishments of the east side, continuing the busi-

ness until 1922, when it was sold. Subsequently Mr. Brown began his activities in the real estate field, in which he has also prospered, displaying wisdom and foresight in the management of the business and in the placing of his investments, from which he receives substantial returns, while at the same time he has contributed toward the city's upbuilding and improvement.

On the 22d of October, 1894, Mr. Brown was married in Wood county to Miss Cora Glenn, who was born in Middleton township, near Bowling Green, Ohio. Her father, Thomas Glenn, now deceased, was a member of a prominent family of Wood county and her mother, who bore the maiden name of Libbie Barr, has also passed away. Mr. and Mrs. Brown became the parents of three children: Ethel Glenn, who was born August 11, 1895; Helen Genevieve, who was born November 16, 1899, and died November 19, 1913; and Mearl Grace, who was born March 14, 1903, and is the wife of Merle H. Scott. They reside in Lucas county and have one child, Robert Wayne Scott.

Mr. Brown is a trustee of the East Broadway United Brethren church, contributing liberally of his time and means toward its maintenance, and he has been a republican since age conferred upon him the right of franchise, never faltering in his allegiance to the party. His first public office was that of councilman, which he filled from 1914 until 1917, representing what was then the fourteenth ward but is now the eighteenth. In January, 1922, he was appointed city recreation commissioner, in which connection he had supervision of Toledo's public parks and playgrounds until the end of the year 1927, when he was made deputy clerk of the common pleas court, continuing in that capacity until April, 1929. He has since been a county parole officer, performing the duties with the fidelity and thoroughness which have always characterized his work, and he displays rare qualities as a public servant. Mr. Brown enjoys the social side of life and is a member of the East Toledo Luncheon Club, while along fraternal lines he is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a devotee of golf, also finding necessary relaxation and diversion in the sports of hunting and fishing. Impelled by high ideals of service, Mr. Brown has constantly

enlarged his field of usefulness, presenting in his life record a forceful example of what constitutes good citizenship. His residence is at 942 Forsythe street, Toledo.

FRANK M. VOTAW

Although his residence in Toledo has been comparatively brief, Frank M. Votaw has already become well known as one of the executives of the Commercial Savings Bank & Trust Company and is also a lawyer of ability. He was born in Akron, Ohio, November 16, 1900, and is a son of Harry E. and Ella (Wyant) Votaw. Both are natives of Canton, Ohio, the father's birth having occurred November 16, 1870, while the mother's natal day was April 11, 1874. For many years they have made their home in Akron, and Mr. Votaw is prominently identified with business affairs of the city as secretary and sales manager of the Commercial Printing & Lithographing Company. He is a Lutheran in religious faith and gives his political support to the republican party. Mrs. Votaw's father, William H. Wyant, was a native of Richmond, Ohio, but spent the greater part of his life in Canton. He was a close friend of President McKinley and both were members of Canton Post of the Grand Army of the Republic. Mr. Wyant was a stanch republican and held some local offices, while his religious views were in accord with the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal church. He married a Miss Withrow, also a native of Ohio, and both passed away in Canton. Mr. and Mrs. Votaw have two children: Frank M.; and Elizabeth Wyant, who is the wife of William B. Chambers, of Memphis, Tennessee.

Reared in his native city, Frank M. Votaw attended the West high school of Akron, graduating with the class of 1918, and subsequently matriculated in Kenyon College, which awarded him the B. S. degree in 1924. He was next a student in the Western Reserve University at Cleveland, Ohio, winning the degree of LL. B. from that institution in 1927, and in the same year was admitted to the bar of Ohio. He is a member of Alpha Delta Phi at Kenyon and Phi Delta Phi, a legal fraternity at Reserve. Entering financial circles

of Toledo, he was made assistant secretary and trust officer of the Commercial Savings Bank & Trust Company, which he has since represented in those capacities, and is furthering the interests of the corporation through the exercise of his legal acumen and earnest, systematic work.

Mr. Votaw is affiliated with St. Mark's Episcopal church, while in politics he is a republican. He is a member of the Mount Vernon Lodge of Masons, the Toledo Bar Association, the Chamber of Commerce and the Toledo Aviation Club. Aviation, sailing and golf constitute his chief sources of recreation, but he never neglects the serious business of life, bringing to his work the energy and enthusiasm of youth. Liberally endowed with those qualities which insure advancement in all lines of endeavor, Mr. Votaw has accomplished much for one of his years and is a valuable addition to Toledo's citizenship.

WARREN P. HALL, D. V. M.

The progress of a community depends not so much upon its machinery of government as upon the men who occupy its public offices and their loyalty to duty, and in this connection mention should be made of Dr. Warren P. Hall, chief of the division of food and drug inspection of Toledo. He is a self-educated and self-made man whose scientific activities have been directed for the benefit of his fellows, and his efficient discharge of his public duties has been of far-reaching effect.

Dr. Hall is a native son of New England, his birth having occurred in Wallingford, Connecticut, September 22, 1893. His father, the late Edwin Milton Hall, was also born in Wallingford and was a representative of one of the old Connecticut families of English lineage. He married Celia Green Stow, and among the ancestors of Dr. Warren P. Hall there were fourteen who participated in the Revolutionary war in the Hall and Stow families. He is a direct descendant of Captain Caleb Hall, who rendered valiant aid to the American cause in the struggle for independence. His maternal grandfather, the Hon. William Washington Stow, served as

state senator in Connecticut and was a prominent factor in the political life of that commonwealth, exercising marked influence over public thought and opinion. Edwin Milton Hall, father of the Doctor, was reared and educated in Wallingford, Connecticut, and devoted his business life to the manufacture of silverware. He continued in his native city until 1902, when he passed away at the age of forty-six years. His wife was also born in Wallingford and, like her husband, represented one of the old pioneer families of Connecticut of English origin. By her marriage she became the mother of four children, three sons and one daughter, and three of the number yet survive, the eldest, Raymond Milton, having passed away. The daughter, Edna Estelle, is the wife of Joseph W. Edwards, a resident of Chattanooga, Tennessee. The second son, Arthur Edwin, remains in Connecticut, making his home in New Haven.

Warren P. Hall, who was the fourth in order of birth in the family, obtained his primary education in his native city and afterward attended the Connecticut Literary Institute at Suffield, Connecticut, from which he was graduated with the class of 1915. He next entered the Michigan State College and completed a course in 1920, the degree of D. V. M. being conferred upon him at his graduation. He has always directed his activities into scientific fields and while in college he served as assistant bacteriologist and through his earnings in that connection supported himself and paid his tuition and other expenses of a college course. He mastered what was ordinarily a six-year study course in a period of four years and made an excellent record for thoroughness and for scholarship. After completing his studies he became chief bacteriologist for Armour & Company of Chicago, remaining with that corporation for a year. On the expiration of that period he made his way to Detroit, Michigan, where he became associated with the division of health as assistant chief veterinarian and in May, 1928, he became chief of the division of food and drug inspection for the city of Toledo. He is now rendering excellent service in this connection and is proving a loyal official.

Doctor Hall was first married June 29, 1921, to Carrie M.

Stockdale and had one son, Warren Stow, born in Detroit, February 2, 1926.

On the 13th of October, 1928, in Columbus, Ohio, the Doctor married Miss Marguerita E. Ward, a native of Muskingum county, Ohio, born at Duncan Falls. They reside at 4618 Commonwealth street.

In his religious faith the Doctor is a Baptist. Politically he maintains an independent course, voting for men and measures as his judgment dictates. His sister is a very active member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The Doctor belongs to Loyalty Lodge, No. 488, F. & A. M.; Loyalty Chapter, No. 165, R. A. M.; and Monroe Council, No. 1, R. & S. M., all of Detroit. He is a member of the International Association of Dairy Milk Inspectors and a member of the American Veterinarians Medical Association. He is keenly interested in all that has to do with raising the standard of foods and drugs, knowing otherwise that such might be a great menace to public health. He keeps in touch with advanced thought and purposes along these lines and works in a scientific way to produce the best possible results. His work is giving uniform satisfaction to the city and has won him high commendation. Dr. Hall deserves great credit for what he has accomplished in that without financial assistance he made his way through college and equipped himself for an important service to his fellowmen.

WILLIS JOSEPH HAKES

Willis Joseph Hakes, an enterprising business man of Fostoria, well known as an automobile dealer, was born in Louden township, Seneca county, Ohio, in 1885, and is a son of Nathan and Susan N. Hakes. His education was acquired in the schools of Louden township and his first experience along business lines was gained in the Cramer sawmill at Fostoria. Afterward he secured work in a local glass factory and was thus employed for some time. In 1909 he made his initial venture as an automobile dealer and prospered from the beginning, owing to his close application and wise management of his affairs. Mr. Hakes specializes in the Ford

WILLIS J. HAKES

cars and is one of the most successful agents in the city. He has a well trained sales force, knows every phase of the business in which he is engaged and he has the largest building devoted to this purpose in northwestern Ohio. He is also a director of the Fostoria Unit Company.

On the 1st of January, 1914, Mr. Hakes was united in marriage to Miss Civilla Peter, a daughter of David A. Peter and Susanna (Fruth) Peter, and they have one child, Beatrice May. Mr. Hakes adheres to the Lutheran faith and is affiliated with St. John's Evangelical church. He is a Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, holding the thirty-second degree in the order, and is also identified with the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Exchange Club. He is also president of the Fostoria Automobile Club and a member of the Fostoria Country Club and largely finds his recreation in golf. His political allegiance has always been given to the republican party and he is chairman of the republican county central committee. As a citizen he is loyal and public-spirited and his progress in business affairs has been commensurate with his industry and ability.

MISS MINNIE B. POMRENKE

Among the successful educators of northwestern Ohio is numbered Miss Minnie B. Pomrenke, principal of the Gypsum high school. She is a native of Oak Harbor and a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pomrenke. After completing a course in the Oak Harbor high school she matriculated in the Bowling Green State Normal School and was graduated with the class of 1928, but is still continuing her studies there. She began her career as an instructor at Oak Harbor and later was made principal of the Rocky Ridge grade school. In 1924 she came to Gypsum in a similar capacity and has done much constructive work in the intervening period of five years. She thoroughly understands the needs of the pupils and is decisive and resourceful in meeting the difficult problems that are constantly arising in connection with her duties as principal. Miss Pomrenke enjoys her

work and is actuated by a spirit of progress that takes cognizance of all improved educational methods. She is the possessor of a pleasing personality, and her innate courtesy, tact and consideration have drawn to her a wide circle of sincere friends.

SIGMOND SANGER

Sigmond Sanger has been continuously engaged in the practice of law in Toledo during the past three decades and has become widely recognized as one of the leading representatives of his profession in Northwestern Ohio. He was born in Austria-Hungary, August 5, 1873, his parents being Solomon and Pauline (Klein) Sanger, both of whom are deceased. He was but a young lad when he accompanied his father and mother on their emigration to the United States, the family home being established in Toledo. In the acquirement of an education he attended the city's public schools, passing through consecutive grades until graduated from the high school with the class of 1889. His professional training was received in the University of Michigan, which institution conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1899. Following his return to Toledo he was associated in law practice for a time with Fordyce Belford, while in 1910 he became a member of the firm of Brown, Hahn & Sanger, which long occupied an enviable position in legal circles here. Mr. Sanger is now practicing alone. Walter Brown left the firm in November, 1927, when he was appointed assistant secretary of commerce by President Coolidge, and he has recently been made postmaster-general of the United States by President Hoover. George P. Hahn, the other member of the firm of Brown, Hahn & Sanger, was named a United States federal judge to succeed John Milton Killits, at Toledo, and took his seat on the bench January 1, 1929. Mr. Sanger is a member of both the Toledo Bar Association and the Ohio Bar Association and has long been accorded a gratifying clientage of extensive proportions.

On the 25th of February, 1919, Mr. Sanger was united in marriage to Margaret H. Dreyfus. They have a daughter,

Mary Ruth. Mr. Sanger is a worthy exemplar of the teachings and purposes of the Masonic fraternity, to which he belongs. He adheres to the Reformed Hebrew faith, belonging to Collingwood Temple. A contemporary biographer said of him: "Questions of public interest have been closely studied by him and at all times he keeps abreast with the best thinking men of the age concerning political, sociological and economic conditions." He has been president of the Toledo Public Library since 1919 and is doing effective work in upholding and maintaining the high standards of this organization. During the World war Mr. Sanger took an active interest in upholding the government and promoting the work growing out of war conditions. He was ward chairman during the Third, Fourth and Victory Loan drives and also was active as a member of the War Savings and War Chest committees. Moreover, he was chairman of a rent profiteering committee, seeking to prevent excessive rents, and likewise served on a committee to aid war risk insurance cases. Thoroughness has characterized his activities in every relation, and wisely utilizing the talents with which nature endowed him, he has come to rank with the distinguished attorneys of Toledo.

CARNEGIE-STAHL FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

On January 5, 1891, the Bellevue Library Association was formed to provide a reading room and books for those of the community who would pay a small fee for the privilege. During the first year it was supported entirely by the membership fees, but the next year, a gift of land having been sold at a good price, the association was able to buy some books from its own funds. In 1896 the Nickel Plate Railroad began to pay thirty dollars a month towards the support of the library and continued to do so for some time.

Early in 1903, influential citizens approached Andrew Carnegie, who agreed to give ten thousand dollars for a library building in Bellevue if a suitable site could be purchased. The money for this was raised by individual subscriptions, and H. A. Stahl, who had been very active in the

campaign, pledged five thousand dollars for books. An attractive location was found and purchased and work started in the spring of 1903. The corner-stone was laid on September 24, 1903. R. E. Schmidt, of Chicago, was the architect, and H. Kimmel & Son, of Bellevue, the contractors. The building is of light grey, Norman pressed brick, trimmed in rock-faced blue Ohio sandstone, with a red tile roof. It consists of one floor and a basement at street level. The lot is terraced up to the entrance and the borrower enters the main delivery room with the children's room on his left and the adult reading room on his right. Back of the receiving desk are the stacks and the librarian's office. There is an assembly room in the basement with an outside entrance. The woodwork throughout is of quarter-sawed, weathered oak and the adult reading room contains a fine fireplace with a tablet honoring Mr. Carnegie and Mr. Stahl.

At this time the library contains over twenty-four thousand volumes and possesses a fine collection of old reference books and magazines which are now very valuable. It serves the Bellevue Hospital and Lyme township nearby, and is noted especially for its excellent cooperation with the schools of its district.

DONALD ARTHUR FINKBEINER

One of the best known of the younger members of the Toledo bar who has rapidly attained a position of prominence in his profession is Donald Arthur Finkbeiner, who was born in Perrysburg, Ohio, May 26, 1894, and came from an old and respected family of Wood county. His parents are William Arthur and Winifred (See) Finkbeiner, also natives of the Buckeye state. His grandfather, Christopher Finkbeiner, who was likewise born in Ohio, enlisted in the Union army when a young man and in later life engaged in the furniture business in Toledo. He was affiliated with the Presbyterian church and gave his political support to the republican party. While residing in Wood county he was elected county recorder and also served for some time as mayor of Perrysburg, filling each of these offices in a manner that won for

him high commendation. He was a man of prominence in his community, honored and respected by all who knew him, and his widow, Mrs. Martha (Belleville) Finkbeiner, still occupies the family home in Perrysburg.

Entering his father's store on completing his education, William A. Finkbeiner acquired a detailed knowledge of the furniture business, to which he has since given his attention, and is a recognized leader of the retail trade in Toledo. Imbued with his father's ability and public spirit, he made an enviable record as a councilman of the village, to which office he was elected on the republican ticket. He also adheres to the Presbyterian faith. Mrs. Finkbeiner's father, Jacob See, was born in New York and filled the position of a locomotive engineer for some time, devoting the latter part of his life to mercantile pursuits. He was also a Presbyterian and gave his political support to the republican party. His demise occurred in Perrysburg March 13, 1915, but his wife, Emma Walls See, passed away in the Empire state. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Finkbeiner have two sons, Donald A. and Carleton S. The latter resides in Perrysburg but follows the profession of a civil engineer in Toledo in association with George Champe.

Donald A. Finkbeiner obtained his high school education in Perrysburg and Toledo, graduating in 1912 from Toledo Central high school. He then entered the University of Michigan and while attending that institution he enlisted, entering the service of his country in September, 1917, and was in training at Camp Sherman, Ohio, until May, 1918, when he was sent to Camp Lee, Virginia. Afterward he was ordered to Camp Funston, Kansas, and detailed for duty with the Tenth Division under General Leonard Wood. Here Mr. Finkbeiner was stationed until February, 1919, holding the rank of second lieutenant, and was then designated for special work on the United States Transport Susquehannah, thus continuing for about four months. At the end of that time he was honorably discharged and resumed his studies at the University of Michigan, from which he received the degree of LL. B. in 1920. In the same year he was admitted to the Ohio bar and began the active work of his profession in Toledo. For four years he was associated

with the well known firm of Tracy, Chapman & Welles and has since practiced alone, occupying an office on the sixth floor of the Ricaby building. His fitness for that most exacting branch of the legal profession, corporation law, is attested by a clientele. He has been attorney for the Community Traction Company since 1924. Since his admission to the bar he has constantly increased his legal learning through research and study, and this knowledge has served him well in forensic combat.

Mr. Finkbeiner is a consistent member of the Perrysburg Presbyterian church, and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, manifesting a deep and helpful interest in matters touching Toledo's welfare and progress, and his fraternal affiliations are with the Toledo lodge of Elks and Phoenix Lodge, No. 123, of the Masonic order, which he joined at Perrysburg. His social nature finds expression in his identification with the Heather Downs Country Club, the University Club of Toledo and the Psi Upsilon college fraternity, while along strictly professional lines he is connected with the Toledo, Ohio State and American Bar Associations. At all points in his career Mr. Finkbeiner has ever conformed his practice to the highest ethics of the profession and is regarded as a successful lawyer of the highest reputation.

SCOTT GRAVES

Success in life largely depends upon the selection of a congenial field of labor, and that Scott Graves made a wise choice when he entered the legal profession is indicated by the fact that he is fulfilling every requirement of the important office of prosecuting attorney for Ottawa County, Ohio, although but twenty-eight years of age. He was born in Oak Harbor, Ottawa county, Ohio, December 22, 1901, and was graduated from the Scott high school at Toledo, Ohio. He received the B. S. degree from Kenyon college in 1924 and won the degree of LL. B. from the University of Ohio in 1927. In the latter year he was admitted to the bar and in the fall of 1927 began his career as a lawyer in Port Clinton.

He is associated with his father, C. H. Graves, in general practice. On April 2, 1928, he was appointed by Judge Allyn to complete the unexpired term of Prosecuting Attorney Weirman. Mr. Graves proved exceptionally well qualified for the duties of a public prosecutor and in recognition of his ability was elected to the office following the completion of his term on November 4, 1928. His arguments are marked by clearness and force, and his logic carries conviction to the minds of court and jury.

Mr. Graves is a bachelor and resides in his father's home at No. 520 Perry street. He attends the Episcopal church and is an adherent of the democratic party. He is a member of the Oak Harbor Lodge of Masons, the Port Clinton Yacht Club, the Lions Club, the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity, which he joined while attending Kenyon College, and the Ottawa County and Ohio State Bar Associations. Mr. Graves upholds the high standards of his profession and is esteemed for his integrity and depth of character.

HON. IRA RICHARD COLE

Hon. Ira Richard Cole, judge of the municipal court of Toledo, his record being one of valuable judicial service characterized by the highest standards in meting out that justice which all should seek who enter upon litigation, is widely known in the city of his residence, for here his entire life has been passed. He was born August 5, 1894, a son of Richard M. and Delia (Surprise) Cole. The father was born in Lucas County, Ohio, and is a representative of one of the old families of this state of Irish lineage. He was reared and educated in his native county, attending the public schools, after which he became connected with the Ohio Gas Company, having remained in the employ of that corporation for many years. His religious faith is that of the Roman Catholic church and his political belief that of the democratic party. His wife was also born in Lucas county and, like her husband, came of a family long associated with the development of Ohio. She is of Irish and French-Canadian lineage and by her marriage she has become the mother of three chil-

dren: Ira R.; Mabel, who is now the wife of Harry Basil, of Toledo; and Helen, at home.

Judge Cole began his education at the usual age, attending the East Side Central school, and when a lad of but thirteen years began to earn his own livelihood by working as a messenger in the employ of the Toledo & Ohio Eastern Railroad Company, his initial salary being fifty dollars per month. He remained with the railroad for a year and then resigned that position to enter the employ of the Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company of St. Louis. He was afterward with the Pinkerton Tobacco Company of Toledo, then a branch of the Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company. He started in the advertising department and later became a traveling salesman for the house, proving efficient in bringing to his company a liberal share of the trade in its particular line. In 1926, however, he left commercial activities to enter the political field by becoming a candidate on the democratic ticket for the office of clerk of the courts but was defeated. In 1927 he was made his party's candidate for the position of judge of the municipal court and was elected by a large majority. This office he has continued to fill to the present time and is making an excellent record by the fairness and impartiality of his decisions. He is particularly considerate of first offenders yet not lax to a point of making the criminal believe that offenses can go unpunished. He fully realizes his duty to the state as well as to the individual and his judicial record is most commendable.

On the 28th of October, 1928, in Chicago, Judge Cole was married to Miss Mae Kettenhofen, of Los Angeles, California. Fraternally he is connected with the Elks lodge No. 53 of Toledo, with the Loyal Order of Moose, No. 713, of which he is now serving as dictator, and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, No. 197. There is a military chapter in his life record, for during the World war period he served in the Twenty-second Ohio Infantry, being stationed at Syracuse, New York, and was honorably discharged after the signing of the armistice in November, 1918. He has always voted with the democratic party and is one of its ardent supporters in Toledo, having risen to a point of leadership in its ranks. He finds his diversions in fishing, golf and motoring. He is

genial, is social in nature and kindly in spirit, and he is proving an able official on the bench, his record being highly satisfactory to the community at large.

HON. CHARLES HERMON LEMMON

The common pleas bench of Lucas county was honored by the election to it of Hon. Charles H. Lemmon, whose record as lawyer, jurist and citizen has earned for him an exalted place in the estimation of his fellow citizens. He was born in Toledo, Ohio, on the 17th of April, 1893, and is a son of Charles Hermon and Harriet A. (Weck) Lemmon, the former of whom is deceased, while the latter, who is of German-English descent, still resides in this city. The Lemmon family is of English origin and was early established in this country. The Judge's grandfather, Reuben Compton Lemmon, was an eminent lawyer and served on the bench of the Lucas county common pleas court for twenty years. Charles Hermon Lemmon, Sr., was born near Delta, Fulton county, Ohio, March 9, 1852, and acquired his early education in the public schools of Toledo. He entered upon the study of law in the office and under the direction of his father, and was admitted to the bar in Lucas county in 1874. He served as assistant prosecuting attorney from 1877 to 1879. He later turned his attention to the abstract business and examination of titles to real property and continued active in that field until 1911, when he retired from business, at which time he was secretary of what is now the Toledo Title Company. He died on the 14th of February, 1919.

Judge Lemmon received his preliminary education in the public schools of Toledo, graduating from the old Central high school. He pursued his literary studies and law course in the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in June, 1917. He had been admitted to the bar of Ohio on January 2, 1917, and on the first day of the following December he entered upon the practice of his profession in association with the firm of Doyle & Lewis. On March 31, 1918, he enlisted in the United States army and, after a short experience in training camp,

was sent overseas. He saw active service in France, participating in the St. Mihiel drive and the Aisne-Marne offensive at Verdun. He was honorably discharged April 26, 1918, at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, and at once resumed the practice of law with the same firm as formerly. He met with very gratifying success, building up a large general practice, though specializing in railroad, corporation and real estate law. On January 31, 1927, he was appointed by Governor Donahey to the bench of the municipal court of Toledo and was elected to that position at the ensuing November election. His discharge of his judicial duties was so able and fair that in November, 1928, the people of Lucas county still further honored him by electing him to the bench of the common pleas court, which position he assumed on January 1, 1929.

On May 13, 1918, in Chillicothe, Ohio, Judge Lemmon was united in marriage to Miss Dorothy L. Richards, who was born at Shawnee, Ohio, November 11, 1895, and is a daughter of Morgan and Emma E. (Bailey) Richards, the former of whom is deceased. Mrs. Richards now makes her home in Toledo.

Judge Lemmon is a Royal Arch Mason and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Exchange Club, the University of Michigan Club, the Toledo Automobile Club, the American Legion and the Reserve Officers Association. He also belongs to the Lucas County and Toledo Bar Associations. His religious faith is that of the Unitarian church. The Judge is a man of high character, unquestioned integrity and attractive qualities, and in the community in which he has spent his life he commands the highest respect.

ORRA B. PELTON

The name of Orra B. Pelton is well known to Toledoans owing to his activities in behalf of the Memorial Park cemetery, of which he has been managing trustee from the time of its inception, while previously he was a leader of mercan-

tile enterprise in Trilby, his native town, located in Washington township, Lucas county. He was born April 24, 1885, and is a son of Giles H. and Mary Emma (Bright) Pelton. His grandfather, Elias Pelton, was born in Illinois and engaged in farming and painting at Trilby, where his demise occurred in 1849 when he was thirty-two years of age. He attended the Church of Jesus Christ, Latter-Day Saints, and was a democrat in his political views. He married Miss Almira Imis, who was also a native of Illinois and passed away at Trilby.

Their son, Giles H. Pelton, was born in Gustavus, Trumbull county, Ohio, November 14, 1840, and became one of the early settlers and dairy farmers of Washington township. For seventy years he has resided on the homestead at Trilby and as one of the pioneers of the district he is widely and favorably known. He is a faithful member of Christ church and gives his political support to the democratic party. His wife was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana, May 29, 1862, a daughter of David and Elizabeth (Rhinehart) Bright, who were also natives of that city, and both passed away in Traverse City, Michigan. In the early days when pottery was made by hand Mr. Bright engaged in that line of business in Fort Wayne, thus continuing until his factory was destroyed by fire. He afterward became an agriculturist. He was a republican and adhered to the Evangelical faith.

In the rural schools of Washington township Orra B. Pelton acquired his elementary instruction, next attending the Sylvania high school, from which he was graduated in 1904. On starting out in life for himself he embarked in general merchandising at Trilby, where he engaged in business for eighteen years, gaining a large patronage through the wise and able management of the business and close adherence to a high standard of commercial ethics. In 1922 he assisted in forming the Memorial Park cemetery of Toledo, of which he is managing trustee, manifesting keen discernment in the direction of its affairs and working earnestly, systematically and effectively to promote the interests of the organization. Its beautiful park, which embraces two hundred and fifty-three acres, is located on Monroe street in Sylvania and ranks

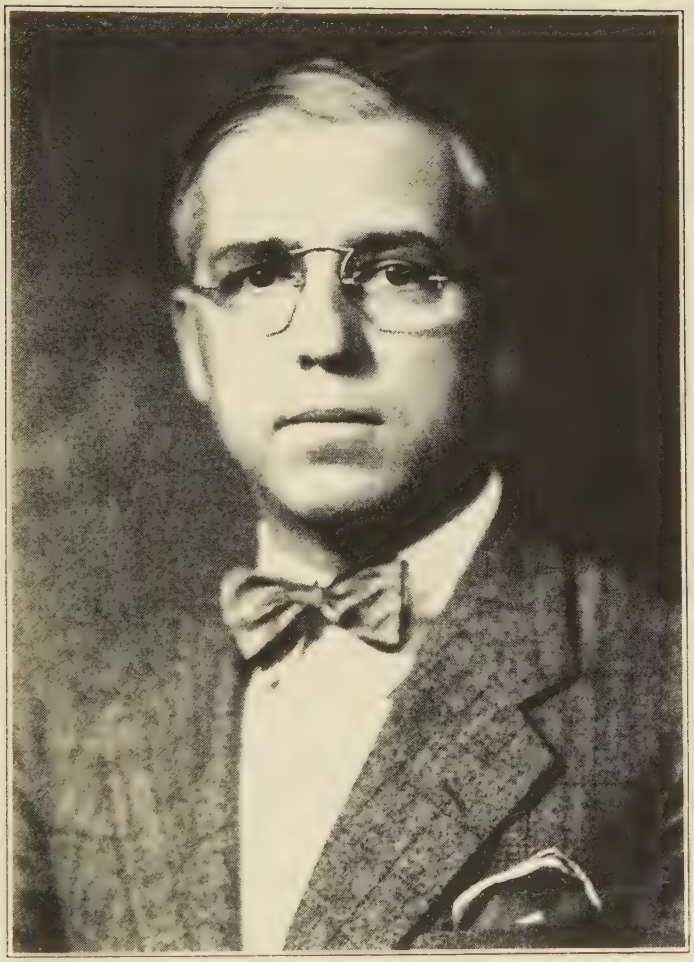
with the finest properties of the kind in northwestern Ohio. Mr. Pelton is also managing trustee of Log Cabin Manor, which he established at Trilby, proving especially adapted to executive duties of this character.

On the 1st of October, 1910, Mr. Pelton was married in Toledo to Miss Eva L. Barber, who was born in this city, June 4, 1891, a daughter of Royal F. and Mary D. (Robideau) Barber. Her father has passed away but Mrs. Barber still resides in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Pelton are the parents of three children: Marion Adell, who was born August 2, 1919; Olin Le Roy, born October 31, 1921; and Warren J., July 17, 1923.

Mrs. Pelton is affiliated with the Christian Alliance church of Toledo, while Mr. Pelton adheres to the Methodist faith. In politics he is a republican and served on the school board of Washington township for ten years, doing much constructive work in that connection. During the World war he was active in four of the Liberty Bond drives and devoted a large portion of his time to patriotic service. He is identified with various Masonic bodies, including Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine, and aided in organizing the Masonic Club at Trilby. Of the Civitan Club of Toledo, now the Knights of the Round Table, he served as president; is a trustee of the Highland Meadows Golf Club, and a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He enjoys motoring and spends the winter months in his attractive home at Daytona Beach, Florida. A progressive business man of keen intelligence and firm purpose, Mr. Pelton has accomplished everything that he has undertaken, using methods which will bear the light of close investigation and scrutiny, and owes his prosperity to an upright, well spent life.

EDWIN RUTHVIN GILLET

Edwin Ruthvin Gillet has devoted his life to electrical work and is well known in business circles of Toledo as a lighting fixture expert. A native of Canada, he was born in Chatham, in the province of Ontario, September 3, 1883, a son of Calvin French and Mary Jane (Miller) Gillet, both



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now deceased. The family settled in Chicago in 1888, and his education was acquired in the public schools of that city. His first experience as an electrical engineer was gained with The Cutler-Hammer Company of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where he served an apprenticeship of four years. Mr. Gillet was the thirteenth employe of this now large and internationally known corporation. His next connection was with the Harrison, New Jersey, branch of the General Electric Company, where he remained for three and a half years, becoming acquainted with business conditions in Toledo while traveling for that corporation. In February, 1911, he came to this city with The F. Bissell Company of Toledo and continued with the firm, which in 1922 was incorporated as The Gillet-Bissell Company. In 1923 Mr. Gillet purchased Mr. Bissell's stock in the concern, admitting F. C. Hoehler to a partnership, and was thus associated for four years under the name of The Gillet-Hoehler Company. In 1927 he embarked in business for himself and has since been the owner of The Gillet Lighting Studio, Inc., at 1214 Madison avenue. His technical knowledge and skill are supplemented by business acumen and executive force, and he has become recognized as one of Toledo's foremost dealers in lighting fixtures.

Mr. Gillet was married March 15, 1909, in Chicago to Miss Ella Seiwert, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and theirs has proven a most congenial union. They reside at 3426 Brookside road, in Ottawa Hills, and are well known in the best social circles. Mr. Gillet was one of the organizers of the village of Ottawa Hills, became a member of its first council, and at its first election was again chosen, becoming vice mayor. In 1928 he was elected mayor, being the third to hold that office since the incorporation of the village. He was the first vice president of the Toledo Kiwanis Club and a district trustee for three years, taking a leading part in the activities of the organization. Mr. Gillet was honored with the presidency of the National Lighting Dealers Association in 1924 and served for three consecutive years. He is a thirty-second degree Mason and is also a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Young Men's Christian Association and the Sylvania Golf Club, of which he was one of the organizers. From early boyhood he has been a lover of clean outdoor sports, and

in his school days was proficient in both baseball and football. Later he became nationally known as a bicycle rider, was a member of the famous Morgan & Wright team, and won a number of championships. He is well known in local competitive golf circles and is accorded a place among the first ten golfers of Toledo. He is affiliated with Trinity Episcopal church and casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party. Choosing a definite objective at the outset of his career, he has concentrated every effort upon its attainment and is well deserving of the success which he now enjoys. Mr. Gillet is a broad-gauged man of progressive views and high standards and exerts a strong and beneficial influence in his city.

ALFRED W. PLACE

Among the prominent and influential citizens of Bowling Green is numbered Alfred W. Place, who is a native son of and has spent practically his entire life in Wood county, where he is now devoting his attention to the management of his extensive interests. He was born in a log house on a farm in Wood county on the 8th of May, 1876, and is a son of Robert and Elmira (Mercer) Place. His paternal grandfather, Robert Place, Sr., was born in Cambridgeshire, England, in 1815, and at the age of twenty-six years married Miss Sarah Asplin, who was born in that country in 1814. In 1850 they brought their family to the United States, locating first in Buffalo, to which city they had worked their way from New York on a canal boat. He was employed in railroad work for about a year, after which he came to Ohio, locating in Medina county, where he was employed at farm work for four years. In 1855 he bought land in Webster township, Wood county, erected a log cabin, and thus entered upon what proved to be a very successful career as a farmer and landowner. To him and his wife were born seven children: James, John, Robert, Charles, Thomas, Sarah Ann and Lydia. Robert Place, Jr., was born August 23, 1851, and died in May, 1928. He attended the public schools and completed his education in the Methodist Seminary at Mau-

mee. He taught school for nine terms and then established a general store at Mercer, afterward called Rudolph, which he conducted for five years. Eventually he devoted all of his attention to farming and was more than ordinarily successful, becoming the owner of many acres of valuable land. On October 8, 1875, he married Miss Elmira Mercer, who was born in Portage township in 1854 and was a daughter of Daniel and Susanna (Roberts) Mercer. To them were born three children, Alfred W., Alta Matilda and Flora May.

Alfred W. Place received his early education in the public schools of Bowling Green, after which he entered Bethany College, at Bethany, West Virginia, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1898. He spent one year in postgraduate work at Butler College of Indianapolis, Indiana, and three years at the University of Chicago, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Divinity in 1902. During the ensuing six years he was engaged in ministerial work in the Disciples of Christ church and then went to Tokio, Japan, where for six years he served as president of a regular government school.

Mr. Place is now vice president of the Universal Machine Company, in charge of engineering and designing, and is also sales manager. He was one of the principal organizers of the Dairymen's Cooperative Sales Company in northeastern Ohio and western Pennsylvania, with offices in Pittsburgh. This is one of the most successful cooperative sales organizations in the United States. Dr. Clyde L. King, of the Wharton School of Economics of the University of Pennsylvania, pronounced it the best farmers' cooperative sales organization.

On the 18th of June, 1902, Mr. Place was united in marriage to Miss Mary C. Graham, of Indianapolis, Indiana, who was graduated from Butler College and did postgraduate work in the University of Chicago, graduating there in 1901. She is a daughter of the Hon. William Henry Harrison Graham, who died in 1907. Her mother, who bore the maiden name of Ellen McLeod, is now living in Crawfordsville, Indiana. Mr. and Mrs. Place have three children: Graham, Robert and Alta.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Place are active members of the Disciples of Christ church and he is also identified with Bowling

Green Lodge, F. & A. M., the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Beta Theta Pi college fraternity and the Order of the C of the University of Chicago. He is president of the Bowling Green Tennis Club and the Northwestern Ohio Tennis Club and is a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers, Inc. For five years he was one of the extension lecturers of the Ohio State University. A man of sterling character and splendid personal qualities, he has always commanded the respect and confidence of his fellowmen and is numbered among the substantial citizens of Wood county.

CHARLES HENRY GRAVES

The name of Charles Henry Graves is familiar to most Ohioans owing to his service as a state official and of his long and prominent connection with legal affairs. He is one of the foremost attorneys of Port Clinton and also a successful financier. He was born in Clay township, Ottawa county, June 24, 1872, a son of John Henry and Mary (Joseph) Graves. The father settled in Ottawa county early in the '60s and conducted a blacksmith shop in Oak Harbor for several years. He was a third degree Mason and closely observed the beneficent teachings of the order.

Charles H. Graves attended the public schools of Oak Harbor and pursued his legal studies at the University of Michigan, which awarded him the degree of LL. B. in June, 1893. In the same year he was admitted to the bar of Ohio and entered upon the practice of law in Oak Harbor. There he followed his profession until elected secretary of state in 1910, when he went to Columbus, Ohio, and served with distinction for two terms. In 1915 he located in Toledo and formed a partnership with Judge Stahl. They were accorded a liberal clientele and the association was continued until 1924, when Mr. Graves opened a law office in Port Clinton. His legal acumen has won for him an extensive practice, and he is also an astute financier. Since March, 1927, he has been president of the National Bank of Port Clinton and wisely administers the affairs of the oldest moneyed institution in

this locality as well as one of the largest and strongest in northwestern Ohio.

On September 2, 1896, Mr. Graves was married in Oak Harbor to Miss Emma B. Mylander, and they have two sons: Barton H., who was born in 1897 and is employed as a salesman; and Scott, a prominent lawyer of Port Clinton. The family are Congregationalists in religious faith, and Mr. Graves gives his political allegiance to the democratic party. In 1901 he was elected prosecuting attorney and filled the office until 1907, securing a large percentage of convictions. Along fraternal lines he is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias, and the Masonic order, in which he holds the thirty-second degree. He is a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Port Clinton Yacht Club, the Catawba Cliffs Beach and Country Clubs, and the Ottawa County, Ohio State and American Bar Associations. Mr. Graves has never swerved from the course dictated by conscience and honor, and his reward is the esteem and approbation of his fellowmen.

RUEL CRAWFORD

On the list of Port Clinton's professional men appears the name of Ruel Crawford, a lawyer, with a background of more than twenty-five years' experience. He was born in Port Clinton, December 21, 1877, a son of Charles Allen and Mary (Duff) Crawford. The father was a ship captain. Ruel Crawford supplemented his public school education by two years' attendance at the Ohio State University and in 1902 was admitted to the bar. Since March, 1903, he has engaged in general practice in Port Clinton. He is a member of the firm of True, Crawford & True.

In 1908 Mr. Crawford was married in Port Clinton to Miss Rose M. Nissen, whose education was completed in Lake Erie College, and they have become the parents of three children: Robert Dudley, aged eighteen years, who is a law student at the University of Michigan and a member of the freshman class; Helen, aged sixteen, a sophomore in high

school; and Jean, aged nine years and a grammar school pupil.

Mr. Crawford attends the Episcopal church and gives his political allegiance to the republican party. He is a Knight Templar Mason, and his wife belongs to the local chapter of the Eastern Star. Along social lines he is connected with the Port Clinton Yacht Club and the Catawba Country Club, while his professional affiliations are with the Ottawa County, Ohio State and American Bar Associations.

LEONARD J. RAAB

Leonard J. Raab is numbered among the earnest, capable and successful attorneys of Toledo and commands a large and representative practice in the courts of Lucas county. He was born at Raab's Corners, Ohio, on the 24th of December, 1894, and is a son of William and Barbara (Burkard) Raab. His paternal grandparents, Leonard and Barbara (Snupp) Raab, were natives of Germany, in which country they spent their lives, the grandfather following the brokerage business. They were members of the Roman Catholic church. William Raab was born in Germany and his death occurred in Toledo, Ohio, May 25, 1921, at the age of sixty-seven years. At one time he was a member of the Toledo police force and prior to his retirement was infirmary inspector. He was a democrat in politics and belonged to St. Ann's Roman Catholic church. His wife was born at Lawrence, Ohio, October 6, 1856, a daughter of Peter and Eva (Loux) Burkard. Both of her parents were natives of France and are deceased, her father dying in Toledo, at the age of eighty-one years, and her mother at Raab's Corners, Ohio, in 1893, at the age of sixty-three years. Mr. Burkard was a farmer by occupation, supported the democratic party and was a member of the Roman Catholic church.

Leonard J. Raab received his early education in the parochial schools and then entered St. John's College, in Toledo, from which he was graduated, and from the law department with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1925. He was admitted to the bar of this state, December 31, 1925, after

which he located in Toledo and has practiced his profession to the present time. He is associated in the practice with his brother, John W. Raab, and Earl W. Shoemaker, and is also connected with the legal department of the Willys-Overland Company as a trial lawyer. He is a close student of the law, keeping in touch with the latest decisions, and being careful and painstaking in the preparation of his cases, he consequently has been uniformly successful in practice.

On September 25, 1917, in Monroe, Michigan, Mr. Raab was united in marriage to Miss Mamie T. Duval, who was born in Monroe county, Michigan, December 5, 1898, and is a daughter of Mrs. Phoebe Duval, who still resides in that county. Mrs. Raab is a graduate of St. Joseph College, in Monroe, Michigan, and is a member of St. Ann's parish in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Raab are the parents of two children, Velma Tresa, born October 2, 1918; and Jacqueline Phoebe, born July 25, 1921. Mr. Raab is a strong republican in his political belief and is a member of the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Izaak Walton League of America. He maintains professional affiliation with the Toledo Bar Association, the Ohio State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. He gives liberal support to St. Ann's church, as he does also to all other deserving benevolent objects, and no worthy cause or movement appeals in vain to him for his support.

GEORGE G. POWERS

George G. Powers, vice president and manager of the Powers Lumber & Supply Company at Genoa, possesses those qualities which make him a substantial and enterprising business man and a progressive citizen whose worth to the community is widely acknowledged. Since starting out in the business world he has made steady progress and now occupies a position of large responsibility.

A native of Port Clinton, Ohio, Mr. Powers was born October 19, 1897, a son of Edward A. Powers, who was born in Woodville, Ottawa county, April 7, 1861. For a number of years the father was engaged in the grain business at

Genoa, establishing that enterprise about 1897 under the name of the Powers Elevator Company. Many years before, however, he had started in the business world, having established a store at Webb Siding in 1880, while about 1890 he opened a general store in Genoa. In 1894 he removed to Port Clinton, Ohio, where he occupied the position of county auditor until 1900, proving a capable and trustworthy officer, as indicated in his retention in that position for a period of six years. With his retirement from office in 1900 he returned to Genoa and with the passing years took a very prominent and active part in promoting the business development of this part of the state. He was one of the organizers of the old Port Clinton & Lakeside Railroad and also of the Northwestern Railroad Company. He was interested in the lumber business under the name of the La Cost-Powers Lumber Company at Toledo, another under the name of the Elmore Lumber Company, a third under the style of the Price Lumber Company at Fremont, and the fourth under the name of the East North Street Lumber Company at Fostoria, Ohio, with Mr. Oyler as manager. Of all of these different concerns C. T. La Cost, Jr., is the president and manager, with offices on the ninth floor of the Ohio building in Toledo. Edward A. Powers was not only a leading factor in the development and capable management of the extensive lumber interests of the company but was also a stockholder in the Genoa Bank. In community affairs he also took a prominent part and for a number of years served as president of the school board, the cause of education finding in him a faithful friend, at all times actuated by a progressive spirit in the development of the school system. His life was indeed an active, useful and upright one, closely conforming at all times to the teachings of the Presbyterian church, in which he held membership. He was likewise a Scottish Rite Mason and a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and when he passed away on the 15th of October, 1913, his death was the occasion of deep and widespread regret. Mrs. Powers survives her husband and now makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. C. T. La Cost, Jr., in Toledo.

In his youthful days George G. Powers attended the public schools of Genoa and afterward the Central grammar

school of Toledo and the Scott high school of that city. He next became a student in the Miami Military Institute of Germantown, Ohio, and was a member of the Students Military Corps. His association with the lumber business dates from 1919, when he became connected with the Powers Lumber & Supply Company of Genoa as vice president, while in 1927 he was appointed manager of the business at this place. His long connection with the lumber trade has made him familiar with every phase of the business, and he has developed a substantial patronage for the company of which he is the financial and official representative.

In 1922 Mr. Powers married Miss Bessie Samson, of Toledo, and their children are: Edward A. and George R., born in 1923 and 1926 respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Powers attend the Church of Christ and take an active part in its work, Mr. Powers as a worker in the Sunday school, while his wife assists in the various activities promoted by that religious organization. She is also president of the Genoa Federation of Women's Clubs. Mr. Powers votes with the republican party and with firm belief in its principles gives earnest support to the efforts put forth to insure its success. He is a Knight Templar Mason, a member and secretary of the Exchange Club and a member of the Chippewa Country Club and the Kappa Sigma Alumni Chapter of Toledo. The interests and activities of his life are thus broad and evenly balanced, making his a well rounded character.

DENNIS F. SULLIVAN

Dennis F. Sullivan, chairman of the board of deputy state supervisors and inspectors of elections, was born November 28, 1872, in Toledo, the city in which he still makes his home. His parents were Cornelius and Johanna (Sullivan) Sullivan. The father was born in Ireland in 1827 and crossed the Atlantic to the new world in the early '60s, first settling in Lima, Ohio, where he remained until he became a resident of Toledo about 1870. Here he remained until called to his final rest in 1918, when he had reached the age of ninety-one years. His religious belief was that of the Roman Catholic

church. His wife, also a native of the Emerald isle, came to the United States with her husband, their marriage having been celebrated in Ireland. They had seven children, four sons and three daughters, of whom three sons and two daughters are yet living, namely: Daniel; Katherine, who is the widow of Albert Haack; John D.; Dennis F., of this review; and Mrs. Margaret Burgemeister.

Dennis F. Sullivan attended the public and parochial schools of Toledo, Ohio, and started out in the business world in connection with the retail grocery trade in Toledo. In the conduct of this enterprise he was quite successful and continued therein for a period of thirty years. He began in a small way with limited capital but built up a trade of gratifying proportions, having one of the well appointed stores of the city. In 1908, while still engaged in the grocery business, he became a clerk in the office of the board of deputy state supervisors and inspectors of elections and from that position was advanced to the chairmanship of the board, being the only employe that has reached this position of leadership. He was elected to the office of chairman in 1924 and has continued to serve in that capacity to the present time.

On the 27th of November, 1900, in Toledo, Ohio, Mr. Sullivan was married to Miss Mary E. Hayes, who was born in Perrysburg, Ohio, a daughter of James and Evelyn (Parks) Hayes, both representatives of old and well known families of Perrysburg, Ohio. There are two children of this marriage: Myra Evelyn, born in Toledo, August 18, 1904; and Richard F., born July 20, 1913. The family residence is at 807 Oak street, Toledo, Ohio.

Their religious faith is that of the Catholic church, they being communicants of the Good Shepherd church. Mr. Sullivan is a member of the Knights of Columbus and of the Knights of the Maccabees. His political allegiance has always been given the democratic party and he labors untiringly for its success. He has membership in the East Toledo Club and is particularly interested in the Boy Scout movement, being chairman of Troop No. 36. He is a lover of all outdoor sports and he continually stresses the participation of the Boy Scouts in such activities, knowing their value as factors in physical development and character building. Per-

severance, industry, determination and integrity have always been salient features in the life of Dennis F. Sullivan, who has justly earned the proud American title of a self-made man.

WILLIAM A. KRUPP

Among the representative business men of Port Clinton is numbered William A. Krupp, who has achieved a gratifying measure of success as a newspaper publisher and is also engaged in the printing business. He was born in Tiffin, Ohio, in 1882, a son of Anthony and Rose (Fisher) Krupp. The father, who followed the occupation of a cooper, has passed away. William A. Krupp obtained his early instruction in a parochial school and completed his studies in the public schools of Tiffin. Afterward he was a newspaper employe and worked in various departments, acquiring a detailed knowledge of the business. His ability, energy and trustworthiness enabled him to steadily advance and at length he entered the publishing field independently. He is now issuing the Republican Herald of Port Clinton, a weekly paper whose circulation is increasing rapidly in this territory. Its news is authentic, and its editorials are timely and well written. The business was incorporated November 1, 1927, at which time W. A. Krupp was elected to the office of president. Walter Krupp is serving as secretary and also fills the post of editor. W. A. Krupp is also president of the Krupp Printing Company, which has an up-to-date plant at No. 114 West Second street and specializes in high-grade commercial printing.

In 1905 Mr. Krupp married Miss Elsie C. Deer, of Fremont, Ohio, and they have six children: Walter A., who is a young man of twenty-three and an able journalist; Genevieve, aged twenty, a stenographer in the office of the city solicitor of Fremont; Richard, Kenneth and Elsie Jane, public school pupils, aged respectively fifteen, twelve and ten years; and Suzanne, an infant.

The family are faithful communicants of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church of Fremont, and Mr. Krupp has

taken the fourth degree in the Knights of Columbus, of which he is a state officer. He has always supported moral interests, fair dealing and the cause of good government, and through the columns of his paper is wielding much influence in furthering civic and industrial advancement.

FREDERICK SEYMOUR

Toledo is not only one of the chief cities of Ohio in point of business importance but is also a center of art and culture, and among those who have been most active in furthering its development in the latter connection is numbered Frederick Seymour, who is widely and favorably known as a composer, an orchestra leader and a vocalist. He was born in Wauseon, Fulton county, Ohio, November 8, 1886, a son of Fred and Margaret (Kolb) Seymour, who have passed away. The father was born February 12, 1839, while his parents were crossing Lake Erie. They had emigrated to this country from Alsace-Lorraine, and settled in Medina county, Ohio, where Fred Seymour, Sr., was reared and educated. About 1870 he removed to Fulton county, Ohio, and for several years was engaged in manufacturing in Wauseon. His wife was born in Akron, Summit county, Ohio, a daughter of Clemens and Margaret (Fink) Kolb, early settlers of Akron. Mr. Kolb became one of its influential citizens, serving as justice of the peace and in other capacities. By her first husband Mrs. Seymour had one child, Charles C. Hillabrand, and by her second marriage she also became the mother of a son, Frederick Seymour.

Frederick Seymour attended the public schools of Wauseon and at an early age became self-supporting. Possessing a fine voice, he had no difficulty in securing a place in the choir of the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Toledo and filled the position for three years. During that time he took up the study of instrumental music, for which he also had a natural talent, and after mastering various instruments, chiefly the piano, he undertook the task of organizing an orchestra. This he accomplished in 1909, assuming the responsibility of pianist, director and manager, but hav-

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ing no financial backing or advantages, he encountered many difficulties and he and his organization were obliged to play in concert halls and other places where they could secure engagements. From this humble and difficult start Mr. Seymour gradually won recognition and has developed the leading commercial orchestra in northwestern Ohio. It comprises from twelve to sixteen skilled artists and the organization is known as "Frederick Seymour and Associate Players." He is an able director and has to his credit the honor of organizing and conducting the first ladies' orchestra in this section of the state.

Mr. Seymour has achieved distinction as a tenor soloist and his recitals always have a large attendance. He is tenor soloist in the Cathedral of St. Francis de Sales in Toledo and has been the chief attraction at many important social functions. He has sung before the members of the Eurydice Club, the Women's Educational Club, the Sorosis Club and other large organizations, and his services are in constant demand. Mr. Seymour has won a gratifying measure of success as a composer of vocal and instrumental music and among his most popular compositions are "Go ask the rose," "With all my heart" and "Ave Maria." The last named is regarded by many as his masterpiece and has been sung by leading artists throughout the United States. In addition he has supplied the words for the music and derives a substantial income from the sale of his popular songs, which have been published by the Shapiro-Bernstein Company of New York city and Remick & Company of Detroit. The music enjoyed by the patrons of the Waldorf, Secor and Commodore Perry Hotels in Toledo was furnished for years by Mr. Seymour's players and for ten years he maintained the orchestra at the La Salle & Koch department store. His activities now are confined mostly to the University, Toledo, Country, Inverness, Carranor and Commerce Clubs. Since 1919 his orchestra has played at every important wedding and social function in Toledo, and it is also in great demand in Sandusky, Fremont, Monroe and other cities of Ohio, likewise filling engagements in Detroit, Michigan. Mr. Seymour is considered authority on modern commercial music and has contributed to a number of magazines on this score. His advice is eag-

erly sought by young musicians who contemplate entering the field.

Mr. Seymour resides at No. 1914 Jefferson avenue, and his office is located at No. 417 North St. Clair street. In politics he is a republican and his religious views are in harmony with the doctrines of the Roman Catholic church. He is a member of the local council of the Knights of Columbus and also belongs to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. For diversion he turns to fishing and also enjoys aquatic sports. Starting out in life as a poor boy, Mr. Seymour has progressed through hard work, tenacity of purpose and the wise use of the gifts which nature bestowed upon him and is firmly established in the hearts and minds of the people of Toledo and other cities as an artist of rare ability and a man of exceptional worth.

REV. DR. JOHN LOUIS SASSEN

The talents of Dr. John Louis Sassen have been devoted to the service of Catholicism and for fifteen years he has exerted a strong force for spiritual uplift and moral progress in Marblehead. A native of Prussia, he was born in 1880 and studied philosophy, law and political economy at Freiburg, in the district of Baden, then theology in Bonn on the Rhine, completing this course at Innsbruck University in Austria. He was ordained to the priesthood and came to the United States in 1911. For two and a half years he was stationed at Fostoria, Ohio, and since 1914 has been pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic church at Marblehead.

The first church, a stone edifice, was erected in 1867 by Father Koehn, who remained here until 1871. His successor, the Rev. Weimar Muller, was in charge of the church for four years, and Father Thein, the next pastor, served from 1875 until 1880. His place was then taken by Father William A. Harcks, who ministered to the people of this parish until 1886. A new church was completed in 1888, during the pastorate of Father Hoerstman, and the Rev. F. J. Hroch supervised the construction of the parish house, while in 1900 the first school was built by the Rev. Joseph W. Koudelka. The

present house of worship was erected in 1917, and the new school was finished in 1927. It has eight grades and instruction is furnished by four Sisters of St. Dominic. One hundred and forty children are enrolled as pupils, and the church has a congregation of one hundred and seventy-five families. Dr. Sassen is an effective worker and the friend and counselor of his parishioners, always ready to assist them with the problems and complexities of life. A deep student, he has devoted much thought to the vital questions and issues of the day, as well as to religious matters, and is the author of a well written book entitled "Capital and Socialism." Dr. Sassen is a broad-minded man of scholarly attainments, and his course has at all times awakened admiration and respect.

CECIL E. COTTRELL

Cecil E. Cottrell, who, after many years of active and successful business efforts, is now retired, was long a prominent figure in the lumber industry in Toledo and is a man of sagacity and judgment in practical affairs. He was born in Spencer, Medina county, Ohio, on the 19th of September, 1859, and is a son of Stephen and Laura (Curtice) Cottrell, who were the parents of two children, Cecil E., and Edgar, who died at the age of two years. In 1861 the family moved from Ohio to Wisconsin, where soon afterward the father enlisted in the Civil war, joining Company H. Sixth Regiment Wisconsin Volunteer Infantry. After serving two years in the army, during which time he took part in several of General Sherman's forced marches, he was stricken with typhoid fever, from which he died at the age of twenty-six years. When he enlisted, the family moved back to Spencer, Ohio, where they resided two years, moving then to Cuylerville, New York. Some time after his death, Mrs. Cottrell became the wife of John Hemrick, who had served three years in the Civil war as a member of the "bloody" Thirty-sixth New York Regiment. After living in Cuylerville about one year the family returned to Ohio, settling in Curtice, Ottawa county, where the parents spent their remaining years, the mother dying October 23, 1914, and Mr. Hemrick May 22,

1923. By the second marriage was born a daughter, Cora, who became the wife of John Wagoner, of Toledo.

Cecil E. Cottrell attended the public schools of Curtice and Toledo and when twenty years of age began logging, teaming and contracting, in which he was successful. In 1899 he embarked in the retail lumber business in Curtice, where he conducted a yard for fifteen years. Then, moving to Toledo, he established a large lumberyard, in connection with which he handled building materials and supplies of all kinds. This proved a highly successful venture and Mr. Cottrell carried it on until June, 1928, when he disposed of his lumberyard and other interests to his son Earnest S., and has since been practically retired from active business pursuits. For the past six winters he has gone to St. Petersburg, Florida, where he erected a fine residence at 155 East Twentieth avenue South. He also owns an eight-suite apartment house at 143 Nineteenth avenue South.

Mr. Cottrell has been married twice, his first union being with Miss Sarah Elizabeth Siebert, a native of Pennsylvania, and to them were born four children, namely: (1) Clara E. is the wife of Carl G. Dean, of Toledo, and they have five children, Donald, Lucile, Laura, Jessie and Margaret. Of these, Lucile is now the wife of Homer Perry, of San Angelo, Texas, and they have two children, Jay Dean and William Homer; and Laura is the wife of Floyd McMullan, of Clear Lake, Texas, and they have one child, John Kemper. Mr. McMullan owns eighty-four sections of land near Clear Lake, on which he runs nine thousand head of cattle, forty-five thousand sheep, one thousand goats and many horses. (2) Earnest S., of Toledo, who was associated with his father in the lumber business for fifteen years before he took over the business, married Miss Margaret Tollison and they have one child, Earnest Eugene. (3) Warren E., a veteran of the World war, in which he served for three years with the Engineer Corps of Marines, holding the rank of second lieutenant, married Miss Mary Beekman and they reside in Fairfield, Connecticut, where he is a contractor and builder. They have one child, Beekman. (4) Carl H., a resident of St. Petersburg, Florida, where he is engaged in carpentering and contracting, married Miss Anna Myers, and to them were

born three children, Carlyle, who died September 1, 1924, at the age of sixteen years; Edith and Warren. On January 11, 1914, Mr. Cottrell was united in marriage to Miss Mary Bell Salsbury, of Morenci, Michigan, a daughter of Moses E. and Annie (Brown) Salsbury. To this union were born two children: Curtice Eugene, born November 6, 1915, and Richard Salsbury, born on April 27, 1920. Mr. Cottrell's children are eligible to membership in the Sons of the American Revolution or the Daughters of the American Revolution, from the fact that some of his maternal ancestors fought in the war for independence. The family history is traced back still farther than that in colonial history and he is related to General Ethan Allen.

Mr. Cottrell is a member of Port Lawrence Lodge, No. 685, F. & A. M., of Toledo. He is widely and favorably known throughout this section of the state, for his business affairs were important, and he earned a reputation for his progressive and enterprising spirit, possessing the valuable faculty of making friends of all who had dealings with him.

HENRY L. NEWMAN

Business enterprise in Marblehead finds an able representative in Henry L. Newman, who has long been regarded as one of its foremost merchants and also figures prominently in community affairs. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1881 and is a son of Adolph Newman, who now lives retired in that city. In 1872 the father opened a dry goods store in Marblehead; also handled wearing apparel, and was active in the conduct of the establishment for forty-six years. After completing his education Henry L. Newman entered his father's store and was thoroughly trained in mercantile affairs. He displayed a natural aptitude for the work and since 1918 has had entire charge of the store, keeping it not only in line but also in the lead of its competitors. Old methods have been changed to meet new conditions, but he has steadfastly adhered to the principles of honor, quality and service, which have constituted the basis of the firm's

success. The business has been operated under the same name for fifty-seven years and is the oldest in the county.

Mr. Newman is identified with the Knights of Pythias, the lodge, chapter and council in Masonry, and is president of the Civic Club. In politics he is a stanch democrat and has devoted much time to public affairs, in which his father was active for a considerable period. The latter served for several terms as mayor of Marblehead and for sixteen years was justice of the peace, making a fine record in these offices. The son was a member of the school board for some time and filled the office of village clerk for nineteen years. Henry L. Newman has always evinced that keen interest in progressive movements and that eagerness to advance civic development which are embodied in the truest and highest ideals of public service, and his worth to the community is uniformly acknowledged.

CHARLES B. FINEFROCK, M. D.

By reason of his ability and experience Dr. Charles B. Finefrock is well qualified for the important office of health commissioner of Ottawa county, in which connection he has established an enviable record, and he is also one of the prominent physicians of Port Clinton. He was born in Fremont, Sandusky county, Ohio, March 14, 1872, a son of Thomas P. and Emma (Carter) Finefrock. The father served as judge of the common pleas court and was a man of prominence in his district.

Dr. Finefrock attended the public schools of Fremont and enrolled as a student in the University of Wooster, from which he received the degree of M. D. in 1895. For three years he was assistant physician in the State Hospital at Cleveland, Ohio, and in 1899 opened an office in Kansas, Seneca county, Ohio, where he followed his profession until 1912. He then located in Port Clinton, and here he has successfully engaged in general practice for seventeen years. Dr. Finefrock closely studies each case intrusted to his care and utilizes his scientific knowledge to the best advantage. He was elected health commissioner for Ottawa county in 1920, and

his continued retention in the office is proof of the quality of his service.

In 1899 Dr. Finefrock married Miss Hallie Thompson, of Leetonia, Ohio, and they have two sons. The elder, Thompson P. F., was born in 1902 and following his graduation from the Port Clinton high school matriculated in the University of Ohio, which he attended for three years. Afterward he entered the employ of the United States Gypsum Company and travels throughout the country in their interests. In 1926 he was married in Ada, Ohio, to Miss Zelma Rockwell, who is now a teacher in the public schools of Port Clinton. Scott, the younger son, was born in 1905 and supplemented his public school education by two years' attendance at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. He is connected with the New York city plant of the United States Gypsum Company.

Doctor Finefrock attends the Methodist Episcopal church, of which his wife is a member. She is serving on the Port Clinton library board and is connected with the Red Cross Society, the Daughters of the American Revolution and 88 Circle. The Doctor was coroner of Ottawa county for two years and is now a member of the board of education of Port Clinton, demonstrating his civic spirit by effective public service. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, and along fraternal lines he is connected with the Knights of Pythias, the Masons, the Modern Woodmen of America and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Port Clinton Yacht Club, the Ottawa County and Ohio State Medical Societies and the American Medical Association. The Doctor has always made his professional duties his first consideration and measures up to high standards in every relation of life.

LEWIS CHAPIN RUFFNER

One of the foremost automobile sales agencies in northwestern Ohio is that of the L. C. Ruffner Company, authorized Ford dealer, at 2929-39 Monroe street, Toledo, of which L. Chapin Ruffner is president and general manager. He is

a native of Quijotoa, Arizona, born February 24, 1885, and is a son of Augustus and Caroline (Boeh) Ruffner and a grandson of Joel and Diana (Marye) Ruffner. Joel Ruffner was born in 1802 in the Shenandoah valley of Virginia and died in Charleston, West Virginia, in 1882. Of the latter locality he was one of the early settlers and was the first salt maker in that part of the country, where he acquired many acres of land. He was a Presbyterian in religious faith. His wife also was a native of Virginia and died in Charleston, West Virginia. Their son Augustus was born in Charleston, November 28, 1853, and is still living in that city, retired from active pursuits. He is the youngest of the sixteen children born to his parents and he looks after the family estate. He is a democrat in politics and a member of the Southern Presbyterian church. His wife was born in California, February 2, 1858, and died in Charleston, West Virginia, in July, 1928. She was a daughter of Sebastian and Amelia Boeh, the former of whom was born in Alsace-Lorraine and the latter in Germany. Her father, who became a shoe manufacturer in Virginia City, Nevada, was a soldier in one of the French wars. He and his wife died in Virginia City, Nevada.

L. Chapin Ruffner was the first white child born in that section of Arizona, known as Quijotoa, where his parents removed in the spring of 1885, at the time of the Apache raids under Geronimo. Later they went to Tucson and afterward to El Paso, San Francisco and Seattle. In 1893 the family home was established in Charleston, West Virginia, where L. Chapin Ruffner was reared from the age of nine years. He received his education in the public schools of that city, after which he spent six and a half years in the coal and ice business in Charleston. He then became connected with the Cabin Creek Consolidated Coal Company, of Charleston, which he represented in Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky and Michigan, first as a traveling salesman and later for sixteen years in Detroit as northern sales manager. He was the owner of the Acme Coal Company for four years prior to his coming to Toledo, on April 1, 1924. At that time he located here as an authorized Ford dealer at his present address, 2929-39 Monroe street, organizing the L. C. Ruffner Company for the

handling of Ford cars, trucks and tractors. The company here has the largest single-floor garage in northwestern Ohio, affording about twenty thousand square feet of floor space for office, salesroom and repair shop. During the five years in which Mr. Ruffner has been engaged in this enterprise he has built up a volume of business very flattering to his executive and sales ability and is meeting with well merited prosperity.

On April 2, 1914, in Detroit, Michigan, Mr. Ruffner was united in marriage to Miss Jane Hodson, who was born in London, Ontario, Canada, and is a daughter of William and Mary (Havercroft) Hodson, both of whom were natives of London, England, and are now deceased. Mr. Hodson was an experimental engineer and stood high in his profession. Mrs. Ruffner was educated in the public schools of London, Canada, and Detroit, Michigan, and is a member of the Protestant Episcopal church. Mr. Ruffner is a republican in his political affiliation and attends the Collingwood Presbyterian church. He belongs to Kanawha Lodge, No. 20, F. & A. M.; has taken the degrees of the different bodies of the York Rite; and is a member of Beni Kedem Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Charleston, West Virginia. Socially, he belongs to the Toledo Club, the Sylvania Golf Club, the Heather Downs Country Club, the Catawba Cliffs Beach Club, the Exchange Club and the Detroit Athletic Club. He is a man of sincere purpose, progressive methods and high business ideals and commands the confidence of all who have had dealings with him.

RALPH C. WATERS

Liberal collegiate training and close application have enabled Ralph C. Waters to steadily advance in the educational field, and his efforts in behalf of the Oak Harbor schools have won for him more than local prominence. He was born in Medina, Ohio, in 1898 and pursued his advanced studies in the Ohio State University, which awarded him the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education in 1919 and that of Master of Arts in 1923. In February, 1919, he began his career as a teacher in Oak Harbor and was made principal

of its high school in September of the same year. Mr. Waters acted in that capacity until January 1, 1921, and in recognition of his ability was called to the office of superintendent of schools, which he has since filled. For ten years his efforts have been devoted to the elevation of educational standards in this locality and the improvement of school facilities, and his work has been highly satisfactory.

In 1921 Mr. Waters was married to Miss Helen Wright, of Ada, Ohio, and they now have a son, Ralph R., who was born in 1924. They are affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Waters is identified with the Masonic order, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Lions Club and the Phi Delta Kappa and Phi Kappa Tau fraternities. He has a high conception of the responsibilities of his profession and is coming rapidly to the fore in educational circles of northwestern Ohio.

WILLIAM ANDREW ZOLG

William Andrew Zolg, secretary and treasurer of the Toledo Scale Company, has had long and varied experience in practical business affairs and is regarded as one of the valuable officials of his company. He was born in Dayton, Ohio, on the 2d of September, 1876, a son of Adolph and Henrietta (Miller) Zolg. His paternal grandparents were Michael and Wilhelmina Zolg, both of whom were natives of Germany. They came to the United States about 1886 and located in Dayton, Ohio, where Mr. Zolg was long in business as a custom shoemaker. In his native country he had fought in the Franco-Prussian war and during a part of that time was one of seven who composed the king's special bodyguard. He and his wife were devout members of the Roman Catholic church. Their son Adolph was born in Germany, December 19, 1852, and died in Dayton, Ohio, in November, 1922. He followed merchant tailoring and became widely and favorably known. In his religious faith he was a Catholic. His wife was born in Lebanon, Ohio, and died in Dayton in November, 1876.

William A. Zolg attended the parochial schools and then entered St. Mary's Institute, at Dayton (now the University

of Dayton), which he attended four and a half years. He then became associated with his father in the tailoring business in Dayton, remaining with him for eight years, at the end of which time he entered the employ of the National Cash Register Company. He was with that organization in Dayton for ten years and was then sent to Berlin, Germany, where he installed factory systems in their German plant. On June 9, 1909, Mr. Zolg came to Toledo and joined the Toledo Computing Scale Company (now the Toledo Scale Company) as bookkeeper. Through his faithful and efficient service he received promotions successively to cashier, assistant treasurer and then secretary and treasurer, which dual position he now holds. This company is engaged in the manufacture of automatic scales and weighing machines, which are sold in all parts of the world. Mr. Zolg has given twenty years of earnest and capable service to his company and has been a factor in its success.

On January 9, 1901, in Dayton, Ohio, Mr. Zolg was united in marriage to Miss Catherine Puthoff, who was born in St. Henry, Ohio, and is a daughter of Frank and Elizabeth Puthoff, both of whom are deceased. Mrs. Zolg, who was educated in the parochial schools of St. Henry, is a faithful member of Gesu Roman Catholic church and belongs to the Catholic Ladies of Columbia and the Toledo Council of Catholic Women. To Mr. and Mrs. Zolg have been born three sons, of whom they are deservedly proud, namely: William A., Jr., born May 29, 1902, was graduated from St. John's University, Toledo, and from the University of Dayton, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, in 1925, since which time he has been employed as a chemical engineer. He married Miss Mary Von Kaenel, of Marion, Ohio. Walter W., born April 13, 1906, was graduated from St. John's University, Toledo, and received the degree of Bachelor of Laws from the law school of Dayton University in 1928, since which time he has been connected with the trust department of the Toledo Trust Company. Eugene F., born July 31, 1910, was also graduated from St. John's University, and is now taking the course in commerce and finance in Dayton University.

Mr. Zolg is a member of Gesu Roman Catholic church, to which he contributes liberally. He belongs to the Heather

Downs Country Club and the Maumee River Yacht Club, as well as to the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Credit Men's Association of Toledo; is second vice president of the Toledo chapter of the National Association of Cost Accountants and is highly regarded in the business circles of this city. A man of keen mentality, sound business judgment and unquestioned integrity, he is well qualified for the responsible position which he is holding and commands the uniform respect of his business associates. His residence is at 2114 Parkdale avenue, Toledo.

WILLIAM W. WILDER

One of the noteworthy industries of Sandusky county is that conducted by the Clyde Kraut Company, at Clyde, of which W. W. Wilder is president and treasurer. He has devoted his attention to this business for twenty-eight years and has realized a very satisfactory measure of success, due to his sound methods and able management.

Mr. Wilder was born in Clyde in 1872 and is a son of A. J. and Mary (Hough) Wilder. The former, in association with his brother, N. T. Wilder, established the present business in 1891. W. W. Wilder acquired a good public school education, after which he attended a business college in Portland, Oregon, from which he was graduated in 1891. In 1900, on the incorporation of the Clyde Kraut Company, he returned to this place as secretary of the concern and has been identified with it continuously since, being now its president and treasurer. The company is engaged in manufacturing and canning sour kraut, for which purpose it uses about five thousand tons of cabbages a year, and also cans about two hundred tons of sour cherries a year, the products of the factory being sold to the wholesale grocery trade throughout the country. The vegetable and fruit are grown in this vicinity and from sixty to one hundred people are given employment during the packing season, so that this concern contributes in large measure to the prosperity of Clyde and surrounding country. Mr. Wilder is also a director of the Home Savings, Building and Loan Company and

WILLIAM W. WILDER

of the Clyde Chick Hatchery, both of which are successful and prosperous enterprises.

In 1895 Mr. Wilder was united in marriage to Miss Hallie McCleary, daughter of Captain Charles H. and Corlissa (Brown) McCleary, who died in July, 1927. Mr. and Mrs. Wilder became the parents of a son, H. Tristan, who was born in 1901 and died July 3, 1928. He was a splendid young man, of ability and character, who had graduated from Chicago University in 1923, and took post-graduate work in Harvard University, after which he specialized in outdoor advertising. The wife and mother died in July, 1927. On January 10, 1929, Mr. Wilder was united in marriage to Miss Ruth Conger, of Clyde, daughter of Rev. S. D. and Mary (Bardshar) Conger, both deceased. Mr. Wilder has always supported the republican party and has shown a deep interest in everything affecting the welfare and progress of his community, having rendered splendid service as a member of the board of public affairs. He is a member of the Exchange Club, the Fremont Golf Club, and the Port Clinton Yacht Club. His religious connection is with the Presbyterian church, and he is a trustee of the Eliza Ramsey Home for Old Ladies and treasurer of its board. Because of his strong character, consistent life and business ability, he is regarded as one of Clyde's best citizens and has a large circle of loyal friends throughout the community.

EDWIN J. LYNCH

Toledo has always had reason to be proud of the high rank of her bench and bar. Men of ability have handled the work of her courts, actuated on the whole by a most earnest desire to promote justice and safeguard the rights of the individual. Practicing in close conformity to the highest ethical standards of the profession, Edwin J. Lynch has gained a prominent place in his chosen profession. Moreover, his record stands in contradistinction to the old adage that a prophet is never without honor save in his own country, for Mr. Lynch has gained distinction and success in the city of his nativity. He was born in Toledo, May 1, 1887, a son of John

E. and Julia C. (Stack) Lynch. His grandparents in the paternal line were John and Hannah (Moriarty) Lynch, both of whom were natives of Ireland, having resided in Galway county. They came to America in the early '60s and settled in Monroe, Michigan, where they resided for some time. During the latter part of his life John Lynch, the grandfather of Edwin J. Lynch, devoted his attention to the occupation of farming. To him and his wife were born five children, four of whom were daughters. The only son was John E. Lynch, whose birth occurred in Norwalk, Huron county, Ohio, and who was educated in Monroe county, Michigan. In due course of time he became a resident of Toledo, where he is now living retired, but from 1886 until 1925 he was successfully and extensively engaged in the retail grocery business. In early life he had learned and followed the carpenter's trade but for many years had carried on commercial pursuits. He wedded Julia C. Stack and they became the parents of four sons, the eldest being Edwin J. The others are John Thomas, Walter F. and Robert J., all residents of Toledo.

In his youthful days Edwin J. Lynch attended St. Patrick's Academy and afterward continued his education in the Central high school of Toledo, from which he was graduated with the class of 1907. He next entered the Toledo University and later attended the University of Notre Dame, where he pursued the study of law, winning his LL. B. degree at his graduation with the class of 1910. He was admitted to the Indiana bar in September of that year and was licensed to practice at the bar of Ohio in December, 1910. He at once entered upon professional activity in Toledo and became associated with Paul Ragan under the firm style of Ragan & Lynch, the partnership continuing until 1915, in which year Mr. Lynch was elected state senator. He served during the following session and then became assistant county prosecuting attorney of Lucas county, acting in that capacity until 1917. In April of the latter year he became an assistant in the office of United States attorney and served until the summer of 1919, when he was a candidate for the mayoralty on a non-partisan ticket but was defeated. In the previous year, 1918, Mr. Lynch had formed a partnership with John

W. Hackett and through the intervening period of eleven years the firm of Hackett & Lynch has occupied a prominent position at the Toledo bar. Their practice is extensive and of an important character. It is characteristic of Mr. Lynch that he prepares his cases with great thoroughness and care, arrives at logical deductions in analyzing the cause and presents his points clearly and forcefully.

Mr. Lynch was reared in the Catholic faith and is a communicant of St. Ann's church. He belongs to Toledo Council No. 386 of the Knights of Columbus and has membership in Toledo Lodge, No. 53, B. P. O. E. He is identified with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and his position upon any question of public moment is based upon a progressive spirit that is constantly seeking the general good. He has worked untiringly for the democratic party because of his firm belief in its principles and he has held membership in the Frank H. Hurd Democratic Club and the Gem City Democratic Club of Dayton, while since 1925 he has been chairman of the executive committee of the democratic party of Lucas county. The interests and activities of his life are well balanced. He gives to each its due importance and is ever actuated by a recognition of that service which each individual owes to his fellowmen. Along professional lines he is identified with the Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar Associations, and it has been said of him that his devotion to his clients' interests is proverbial. When leisure permits he finds his chief diversion in fishing, but he allows nothing to interfere with the faithful performance of his duties, whether in law practice or in public office.

HARVEY P. JONES

Toledo has derived great benefit from the activities of Harvey P. Jones, who has devoted his talents largely to the work of municipal improvement and is widely and favorably known as a sanitary engineer. He was born in Sandwich, Illinois, February 7, 1891, a son of John M. and Melvina (Burrell) Jones, and of colonial ancestry. The father was born in Utica, New York, in 1850 and was of English lineage.

He was reared and educated in his native city and throughout life followed mechanical pursuits, acquiring a high degree of proficiency in his work. In 1870 he settled in Sandwich, Illinois, and there resided until his death, which occurred in 1905, when he was fifty-five years of age. He was identified with the Masonic order, and his religious views were in harmony with the doctrines of the Congregational church. In politics he was a stanch republican and served his fellow townsmen in the capacity of alderman, working at all times for the best interests of Sandwich. His widow was born in New York city in 1852 and still resides in Sandwich. Her parents were Harvey and Margaret (Schryver) Burrell, the latter a descendant of Alberta Schryver, who was born in Holland in 1683 and died in New York state in 1768. Members of the family served under General Washington in the Revolutionary war and among the collateral descendants was Major John Paulding, an American officer, who aided in the capture of Major John Andre at Tarrytown, September 23, 1780. To Mr. and Mrs. John M. Jones were born three sons, of whom two survive, Jesse M. and Harvey P.

The latter attended the public schools of his native town and obtained his higher education in the University of Michigan, from which he received the degree of B. C. E. in 1916. After his graduation he was appointed sanitary engineer of Toledo and held the position for two years. He then went to New York city and became associated with the well known engineering firm of Fuller & McClintock. Mr. Jones was identified with large construction projects in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Michigan, Missouri and Florida for eight years and in 1926 located in Toledo, organizing the firm of H. P. Jones & Company, of which he has since been the president. This is classed with the foremost engineering firms of northwestern Ohio and among its outstanding achievements are the East Toledo Intercepting Sewer, the East Side Sewage Pumping Station and the recently completed Maumee River Tunnel, projects totaling over five million dollars. The tunnel, which cost approximately two hundred and seventy thousand dollars, is about three thousand feet long and lies thirty feet below the bottom of the river. It was gnawed out of the earth at about twenty feet a day,

thousands of tons of earth having been removed. Two crews, one from each side of the river, started working toward each other early in July, 1928, and met at three o'clock in the morning of January 3, 1929. The engineers' work was so perfect that the two six-foot tubes hit each other within a quarter of an inch. Two shafts carrying elevators run down to the conduit level on each side of the river. They are from seventy-one to eighty feet deep. The laterals were six feet in diameter and in them miniature railway tracks with miniature cars ran out as the work progressed. Sand hogs, with air shovels, bit at the blue clay and the sand. They worked under an air pressure heavy enough to prevent the flooding of the tunnel by water, at times the pressure being as high as twenty-five pounds. Gradually the clay was eaten away and the tunnel plates put in. On January 4 the work was inspected by Mayor William T. Jackson, who pronounced it "a good job." This tunnel is to be connected with the proposed Bay View Park sewage disposal plant and will take care of all of Toledo's sewage. Plans for the plant have been drawn by H. P. Jones & Company and a year or more will be required to build this two million dollar structure.

Mr. Jones was married August 16, 1914, in Sandwich, Illinois, to Miss Ina J. Faxon, a native of that place and a daughter of Charles G. and Carrie (Anderson) Faxon. Mr. and Mrs. Jones have three children: Jeanne, who was born February 21, 1918; John Melvin, born September 19, 1922; and Harvey Paul II, born September 22, 1923.

The residence of the family is at No. 2666 Latonia boulevard and Mr. Jones' offices are located on the sixteenth floor of the Second National Bank building. He adheres to the Congregational faith and his wife is a member of the First Congregational church of Toledo. She is a zealous church member and is also active in child welfare work. Mr. Jones is allied with the republican party, whose principles appeal to him as the best form of government for the majority. His Masonic affiliations are with Barton Smith Lodge, F. & A. M., and Toledo Chapter. He is a member of the Heather Downs Golf Club, the American Society of Civil Engineers, the American Association of Engineers, of which he is an ex-president, the American Public Health Association and

the American Society for Municipal Improvements. Mr. Jones worked his way through college and has been self-supporting from the age of seventeen years. His career has been conspicuously useful and constitutes an inspiring example to all who seek to attain a high level of service

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ROLLIE A. BARNHOLT

Energetic and capable, Rollie A. Barnholt occupies a prominent place in business circles of Port Clinton and is also one of the prosperous fruit raisers of Ottawa county. He was born in Port Clinton in 1878 and is a son of Fred and Sophia Barnholt, pioneers of Catawba island, on which the father developed a fine farm, devoted to the production of fruit. He was identified with the Knights of Honor and gave his political support to the republican party, while his life was governed by the teachings of the Lutheran church. His younger son, M. John Barnholt, resides on Catawba island and has two fruit farms in the Gem Beach pleasure resort.

Rollie A. Barnholt attended the public schools of Port Clinton and obtained his higher education in the Ohio Northern University at Ada, graduating with the class of 1896. Afterward he was employed by the Erie Railroad Company and was also identified with other lines of business. In 1908 he supervised the construction of the building for the Port Clinton Fish Company and had charge of the business for a time. Later he was in the employ of the Booth Fisheries and the Ranney Fish Company of Cleveland. Since 1921 he has been manager of the East Clinton Lumber & Coal Company, exerting his best efforts in its behalf, and has instituted well devised plans for the growth of the enterprise. The company maintains a branch at Lakeside and handles coal, lumber and building material of all kinds. Mr. Barnholt is a stockholder of the firm and also owns a sixty acre farm which his grandfather began to cultivate in 1824. The soil has been brought to a high state of development and produces apples, pears, peaches and plums of fine quality. Mr.

Barnholt has made a close study of horticultural pursuits and has found that scientific methods yield the best returns.

In 1906 Mr. Barnholt married Miss Mary A. Becker, of Cleveland, and they became the parents of two sons: Frederick, now deceased; and Harvey I., who was born July 29, 1909. Mr. Barnholt is a member of the Kiwanis Club, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Modern Woodmen of America. In 1920 he served as mayor of Port Clinton. He is honest, industrious, genial and unassuming, and these qualities have won for him a secure place in the esteem of Port Clinton's citizens. Mrs. Barnholt is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and a faithful follower of its teachings.

WALTER D. SKILLITER

Commercial activity in Genoa finds a worthy representative in Walter D. Skilliter, who owns and conducts a hardware store, carrying an excellent line of both shelf and heavy hardware, in addition to which he handles implements. He was born in Sandusky county, Ohio, in 1874 and is a son of Thomas Skilliter, a native of London, England, who was brought to America by his parents, Thomas and Anna Skilliter, who settled in Sandusky county, where the grandfather engaged in farming.

Thomas Skilliter, Jr., left home at the age of fifteen years, went to sea and sailed for a decade. He then determined to concentrate his efforts upon land activities and became identified with the lumber industry through cutting timber. After a time he wedded Marcia Beebe and settled upon his father-in-law's farm, devoting his efforts to its cultivation for five years. He next removed to Black Swamp, where he purchased forty acres of land and engaged in farming and timbering. About 1891 he established an implement business in Genoa, first securing a small stock, but as he prospered he extended the scope of his activities by opening a hardware store in 1894, developing this until it had become an enterprise of substantial proportions. He was classed with the most valuable and honored residents of his com-

munity and took a keen and helpful interest in every project and movement for the general good. The salient traits of his character won him high respect and warm friendship. He held membership in the Christian church, served as superintendent of its Sunday school, and was a member of the Masonic fraternity and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Death claimed him in 1916, and in his passing the community mourned the loss of one of its representative citizens, his neighbors a faithful friend, and his family a devoted husband and father.

Walter D. Skilliter was graduated from the Genoa high school as a member of the class of 1894 and later pursued a commercial course in the Tri-State Business College of Toledo. Before he had finished his high school work, however, he began assisting his father in the hardware business and following the completion of his studies was admitted to a partnership and in due time became sole owner of the store. He sought more commodious and modern quarters in 1910, when he purchased the brick building that he now occupies, and today he has a well equipped hardware store, carrying a large line of goods and meeting public requirements as to reasonable prices, fair dealing and thoroughly honorable methods. Like his father, he continues to handle implements as well as hardware, and his trade is now of gratifying proportions. He is also a director of the Genoa Building & Loan Association and he has a wide acquaintance in trade circles of the state as a member of the Ohio Hardware Association.

In 1897 was celebrated the marriage of Walter D. Skilliter and Miss Inez Tiplady, and they are the parents of three sons and a daughter. Robert T., born in 1898, was graduated from the Genoa high school, attended Toledo University, in which he pursued a course in business administration, and later married Miss Marian Hanson of Toledo. Gordon W., born in 1901, is also a high school graduate and completed a course in business administration in Toledo University. He married Miss Adeline Kingly of Toledo. Inez G., born in 1905, supplemented her high school course by studying home economics in Ypsilanti College of Michigan and was married on New Year's eve of 1928 to Marion La Plante of Genoa. Donald T., born in 1908, was accorded the same edu-

cational advantages as his brothers and is now conducting a cleaning establishment in Genoa.

Mr. and Mrs. Skilliter are faithful members of the Christian church, and in addition to her activity in church work Mrs. Skilliter is interested in literature, in civic activities and in social affairs. Mr. Skilliter belongs to the Chippewa Country Club and the Exchange Club, while along fraternal lines he is identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and with the Masons, having attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite in Masonry. Politically he is a stanch republican, taking an active interest in local party work, and at all times puts forth every possible effort to advance community welfare. For eight years he has served on the school board and has done much to further the cause of education in this community. He measures up to high standards of manhood and citizenship and at the same time occupies an enviable position in business circles of the community in which the greater part of his life has been spent.

ALLEN PALMER TALLMAN

One of Toledo's leading commercial enterprises is the Oxford Varnish Corporation, of which Allen Palmer Tallman is chairman of the board of directors. He has had many years of practical experience in the paint and varnish industry; possesses marked business ability and has been very successful.

Mr. Tallman was born in Chicago, Illinois, on the 22d of August, 1884, and is a son of Dr. Elihu D. and Anna A. (Palmer) Tallman. His father was a native of Pennsylvania and was graduated from the medical school of the University of Michigan in 1882, after which he practiced medicine in Chicago for forty years. He is now retired and is living at Covert, Michigan. He is a republican in politics and is a member of the Presbyterian church. His wife was born near Adrian, Michigan, in 1852, and died in Chicago in 1916.

Allen P. Tallman was graduated from high school in Chicago in 1901, after which he attended Hanover College at

Hanover, Indiana, two years, and the University of Chicago one year. During 1912 and 1913 he studied law at the University of Toledo. He became associated with the Sherwin-Williams Company, at Chicago, in 1907, starting in as a laborer, and he made steady advancement until he became purchasing agent for the company and eventually was put in charge of the testing laboratory. Going to Joplin, Missouri, he served as chemist for the Ozark Smelting & Mining Company for a time, and then rejoined the Sherwin-Williams Company, being put in charge of the research laboratory at the company's main plant in Cleveland, Ohio. In December, 1918, he bought the Toledo Varnish Company, which he reorganized as The Tallman Company, Inc., of which he was president and general manager. In 1920 the company was merged into the Oxford Varnish Corporation, of which Mr. Tallman is now chairman of the board. The company specializes in woodgrain reproduction and in industrial finishes, paints, varnishes and lacquers, and is a very prosperous concern.

On September 4, 1908, in Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. Tallman was united in marriage to Miss Alice J. Davis, who was born in Kent, Ohio, December 5, 1888, and is a daughter of Dr. Joel A. and Mary (Smith) Davis, of Cleveland, both of whom are deceased. Dr. Davis practiced medicine many years in Kent, Ohio, and on his retirement moved to Cleveland. Mrs. Tallman is a graduate of the East high school of Cleveland, and is a member of the Toledo Women's Club. Mr. and Mrs. Tallman are the parents of six children, namely: Mary A., who was born September 5, 1910, and is a graduate of the Libbey high school, Toledo; Allen D., born June 15, 1913; Richard D., born October 15, 1915; John P., born May 20, 1919; Jeane Louise, born December 2, 1922; and James Douglas, born June 19, 1925.

Mr. and Mrs. Tallman are members of the Park Congregational church, of which Mr. Tallman is a deacon. He is a republican in his political preference and was a charter member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He belongs to the Sigma Chi college fraternity, the Knights of the Round Table, the Heather Downs Country Club, and the Maumee River Yacht Club, of which he is rear commodore. He is a

member of Auburn Park Lodge, No. 789, F. & A. M.; and Toledo Chapter, No. 161, R. A. M. During the World war he took an active and effective part in the various Liberty Loan drives and was also connected with the department of justice. Yachting and golf are his favorite pastimes, and socially he is extremely popular. Keen and sagacious in business affairs, public spirited in his attitude toward matters affecting the general welfare of his city and a man of earnest purposes and high ideals, he is regarded as one of Toledo's strong and substantial citizens. His residence is at 1324 Harvard boulevard.

OLAN F. GARDNER

Men of efficiency and high character are always in demand in the business world, and in this classification belongs Olan F. Gardner, who rose from a clerkship to the responsible position of general freight and passenger agent. His life has been devoted to railroad service and he has made his home at Marblehead for eighteen years.

Mr. Gardner was born in Graytown, Ottawa county, Ohio, in 1884, a son of Harvey S. and Alpha B. Gardner, who reside in Lakeside. Entering the employ of the New York Central Railroad, the father was made agent at Danbury, Ohio, where he was stationed for more than thirty years, but is now retired at the age of seventy. His fraternal affiliations are with the Masons and the Knights of Pythias. Mr. and Mrs. Gardner had four sons: Bernard, assistant superintendent for the Kelley Island Lime & Transport Company at Alpena, Michigan; Olan F.; Dale, who served in France during the World war and died while returning to the United States; and Forrest, who was graduated from the Lakeside high school and is now superintendent of the block plant of the United States Gypsum Company.

The public schools of Ottawa county afforded Olan F. Gardner his educational opportunities, after which he became an employe of the New York Central Railroad Company, starting as a clerk in the freight department in 1907. He was advanced to the position of assistant freight agent of

The Lakeside & Marblehead Railroad in 1911, with headquarters in Marblehead, where he has since been stationed, and is now representing the road in the capacity of general freight and passenger agent. With broad experience in transportation affairs, he meets every requirement of the office and for eighteen years has served the road with faithfulness and efficiency.

In 1912 Mr. Gardner was married in Marblehead to Miss Jewel Earls and they have two children: Earl, who was born in 1913 and is attending the Lakeside high school; and Bessie, who was born in 1918 and is a grammar school pupil. The parents are affiliated with the Congregational church, in which Mrs. Gardner is an earnest worker, while she is also active in social affairs. Deeply interested in matters touching the welfare and progress of his community, Mr. Gardner is furthering its advancement and betterment as president of the common council, to which office he was elected on the republican ticket. As a member of the Civic Club he is also working for the best interests of Marblehead, while along fraternal lines he is connected with the Masons and the Knights of Pythias.

NEWELL BASS NEWTON

Newell Bass Newton, of Toledo, where his death occurred April 6, 1926, was richly endowed with those qualities which won for him sterling friendship and high regard. For twenty-three years he had been closely associated with the printing and engraving business in Toledo, becoming president of the Newell B. Newton Company and contributing in notable measure to the growth and development of the enterprise.

His birth occurred in Lyons, Iowa, September 3, 1868, his parents being John R. and Cynthia Anna (Bass) Newton. He pursued his early education in the grade schools of his native city and in Dayton and in Toledo, Ohio, where the family home was maintained at various times. When his textbooks were put aside he obtained work as a delivery boy with the Blade Printing Company and thus entered the field

NEWELL B. NEWTON

of business to which he was to devote his entire life. Later he was for eight years with the Franklin Printing & Engraving Company, during which period he carefully saved his earnings until the sum was sufficient to enable him to embark in business on his own account. In 1903 he established a printing and engraving business as the senior partner in the firm of Newton, Rothrick & Company. Mr. Newton at that time knew nothing about setting type or running a press, but he was a most efficient, progressive and successful salesman. His charming personality enabled him to almost immediately win the friendship of those with whom he came in contact and his sterling worth enabled him to retain this friendship throughout the passing years. The personal equation in his business therefore was an important element and contributed to his success in salesmanship. The new enterprise was established in a little shop on the present site of the Fort Meigs Hotel and later, with the growth of the business, was removed to a location on Superior street, where the firm suffered the misfortune of having its plant destroyed by fire in 1916. At that time a further removal was made to 218 Huron street, where the business has since been conducted. After a time it was reorganized under the name of the Newell B. Newton Company, of which Mr. Newton was president, remaining the directing and executive head of the undertaking until his demise. Year by year the business grew and developed under his careful guidance, for it was ever his rule to turn out only work of the highest grade and to thoroughly satisfy his patrons in every particular. Since the death of her husband Mrs. Newton has continued the business with pronounced success.

It was on the 4th of December, 1895, that Newell B. Newton and Emily Zwiker, also of Toledo, were united in marriage and theirs was a most close companionship and happy life. Mr. Newton was well known and prominent in Masonry, having membership in the chapter, commandery, in the various Scottish Rite bodies and in the Mystic Shrine, while at all times he exemplified in his life the beneficent spirit of the craft. He gave his political support to the republican party, was a member of the Chamber of Commerce and was interested in all that had to do with the benefit and

upbuilding of Toledo in every way. He held membership in the Washington Congregational church and was in charge of the primary department of its Sunday school for a period of fifteen years. He ranked as a capable business man, a loyal citizen, a faithful member of lodge and church, but it was his kindly and pleasing personality that gave him an enduring hold on the affection and regard of all with whom he was associated. His sterling qualities of character gained for him an extensive patronage in his business and among his patrons there are many who became his stanch friends and who still give their business to the printing and engraving house which he established.

MARTIN WALTER DIETHELM, M. D.

Dr. Martin Walter Diethelm, of Toledo, is specializing in obstetrics and gynecology, in which department of medical science he has become well known. He was born in Toledo, August 7, 1893, a son of Martin Diethelm, a well known druggist, who is mentioned at length on another page of this work, in connection with which the ancestral record of the family is given. Having mastered the elementary branches of learning in the parochial schools of Toledo, Dr. Diethelm attended St. John's College high school and was graduated with the class of 1910. His advanced work was pursued in St. John's University, which conferred upon him the Bachelor of Arts degree at his graduation with the class of 1914. He then began preparation for his professional career and in 1918 St. Louis University conferred upon him the M. D. and A. M. degrees. He was an interne in St. Vincent's Hospital of Toledo for a year, after which he entered upon the private practice of his profession, in which he has since continued, giving his attention especially to obstetrics and gynecology. He is now a member of the staff and obstetrician of St. Vincent's Hospital and also of the Women's and Children's Hospital and is director of obstetrics in the Lucas County Hospital.

In St. Mary's church of Toledo, on November 26, 1922, Dr. Diethelm was married to Miss Ethel Marie Bartley, a

daughter of John and Julia (Snyder) Bartley, the latter a member of one of the old and well known Toledo families. She is a graduate of the Bowling Green State Normal College, in which she won the Bachelor of Pedagogy degree, and she is a member of the Phi Alpha Sigma sorority. Dr. and Mrs. Diethelm have two children: Joan Claire, born September 28, 1923; and Marcia Ann, born May 22, 1926. The family residence is at 1732 West Bancroft street and Dr. Diethelm maintains his office in the Colton building.

The religious faith of the family is that of the Roman Catholic church. The Doctor is connected with the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Lions Club and the Sylvania Golf Club, and politically he maintains an independent course. During the World war he served as a medical officer of the Reserve Corps, enlisting at Jefferson Barracks, St. Louis, Missouri. Along strictly professional lines his connection is with the Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio State and American Medical Associations.

HARVEY LEMUEL ALLEN

A successful educator and a man of high scholastic attainments, Harvey Lemuel Allen is well qualified for the office of president of Findlay College and has served in this capacity for three years. He was born near Rich Hill, Missouri, September 20, 1888, a son of Henry Wesley and Mary Belle (Warren) Allen, and in the paternal line is of Scotch, Irish and Holland Dutch lineage, while his forbears on the distaff side were Celts. The grandfather, Sergeant William Allen, a noted sharpshooter, served in the Confederate army under General Sterling Price of Missouri and was a descendant of Colonel Ethan Allen of Revolutionary fame.

Henry Wesley Allen was born near Rich Hill, Missouri, September 30, 1867, and devoted his life to religious work. He was a pioneer missionary in Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas and Oklahoma for the Churches of God in North America and organized and built many churches. He entered upon the work in 1885 and served continuously until his death on the 5th of February, 1913. Mrs. Allen was born near

Athens, Ohio, August 1, 1868, and now resides in Weatherford, Oklahoma. Her grandfather, Captain N. Warren, was a gallant officer in the Union army and afterward became sheriff of Athens county, serving until his death, which resulted from a wound received during the Civil war. He was a descendant of General Joseph Warren, who lost his life in the battle of Bunker Hill, and a relative of General Gouverneur Kemble Warren, to whom many give credit for winning the battle of Gettysburg.

Harvey L. Allen obtained his early training in the rural schools of Bates county, Missouri, completing his course in 1900, and during 1903 and 1904 attended the Collegiate Institute at Fort Scott, Kansas. From 1904 until 1909 he was a student at the Southwestern Normal School in Weatherford and following his graduation from that institution matriculated in Tulsa University, which awarded him the A. B. degree in 1913. Later he entered the University of Oklahoma at Norman and was graduated with the class of 1917, winning the M. A. degree. For a year he was a member of Company B, Second Regiment of the Missouri National Guard, and during the World war was made an adjutant in a replacement division while attending Oklahoma University.

Mr. Allen began his career as an educator in 1909, becoming principal of Anadarko, Oklahoma, high school, and in 1910 was chosen superintendent of schools of Alderson, Oklahoma, thus serving for two years. During 1912-13 he was a student and teacher at Tulsa University and during the following year was dean of the Collegiate Institute at Fort Scott, Kansas. From 1914 until 1917 he was superintendent of schools of Tecumseh, Oklahoma, and afterward had charge of the schools of Hinton, that state, for a period of two years. He was superintendent of schools at Carnegie, Oklahoma, from 1919 until 1922, when he was appointed director of the extension department of Southwestern College and filled the position for a year. In July, 1923, he went to Guthrie, Oklahoma, as superintendent of the city schools and thus continued until September 1, 1926, when he became president of Findlay College. Up to that time the office had been filled only by ministers, and Mr. Allen was the first

to be elected without first serving as acting president. He was unanimously elected by fifteen trustees, one vote coming by wire and one by air mail to make the vote complete just at the last moment of the session. He undertook the work chiefly for the purpose of making the college accredited and securing an endowment fund sufficient to make the institution self-supporting. In the administration of its affairs he manifests marked ability, and under his guidance the college has greatly prospered from both a financial and educational standpoint.

On the 22d of February, 1912, Mr. Allen was married at Mounds, Oklahoma, to Miss Neva Young, who was born March 16, 1892, in Quincy, Missouri, and is of English and German descent. She completed a course in the Central Teachers College at Edmond, Oklahoma, in 1925 and graduated from Findlay College in 1929. Her parents were Andrew Jackson and Mary (Crouch) Young, the former a native of Mississippi, while the latter was born in Quincy, Missouri. The father enlisted in the Union army and served throughout the Civil war with the Forty-fourth Regiment of Illinois Infantry. He responded to death's summons in 1918, and Mrs. Young passed away in June, 1928. Mr. and Mrs. Allen have become the parents of three children: Geraldine, Mary Mildred and Harmon Warren, aged respectively fourteen, eleven and eight years. Geraldine will graduate from the Findlay high school in 1930 at the age of fifteen. She is an exceptionally bright pupil, and all of the children excel in music, expression and athletics.

Mr. Allen is affiliated with the First Church of God at Findlay and is active in support of local, state and national organizations of the church. During the present fiscal year he has been a member of and delegate to the Ohio eldership and general eldership of the Churches of God and appeared on the program of the general eldership, held quadrennially, in June, 1929, at Martinsville, Illinois. A stanch southern democrat, he usually votes a straight ticket and greatly admired President Wilson and William J. Bryan. Mr. Allen has neither sought nor held political office but is active in behalf of the party and usually makes addresses in every campaign, accepting no recompense for his services. Along fra-

ternal lines he is connected with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and is a Scottish Rite Mason of the thirty-second degree. General Joseph Warren, one of his forbears, stood high in the latter order and was the first grand master of Masons in the United States. For seven years he was grand master of the lodge at Boston and was serving in that capacity when he sacrificed his life for his country at Bunker Hill. Mr. Allen has been an officer in various education associations and is an active member of the Rotary Club, the Symposium Club, the Senate Club, the Findlay Chamber of Commerce and other local civic and social organizations. Studious by nature, he has constantly broadened his mental horizon, and traveling is his chief diversion. Actuated by high ideals, Mr. Allen has used practical methods in their attainment, and his well developed powers and talents have constituted a strong and serviceable factor in the cause of human progress.

EMIL A. HARRER

Emil A. Harrer, owner of the Collingwood Garage at 439 West Delaware avenue, Toledo, has had many years of practical experience in handling automobiles and is meeting with very gratifying success. He was born at Fair Haven, Michigan, on the 26th of February, 1894, a son of the Rev. Albert and Lena (Lemster) Harrer. His father was born in Wurtemberg, Germany, October 21, 1867, and is now living at Owatonna, Minnesota, where he is pastor of two Lutheran churches. He is a son of Albert and Lena Harrer, natives of Germany and the former a school teacher. Lena (Lemster) Harrer was born in Schleswig-Holstein, Germany, December 31, 1867, and died in Blissfield, Michigan, January 7, 1907. She was a daughter of Carl and Lena Lemster, both of whom were natives of Germany, where her father, who was a member of the Lutheran church, followed the business of a merchant tailor up to the time of his death. His wife died in Adrian, Michigan. To Albert and Lena Harrer were born eight children, namely: Elizabeth, who is stenographer for the Collingwood Garage, Toledo; Mrs. Fred Drake and

Mrs. Lawson Wright, of Toledo; Carl H., who is employed as a mechanic in the Collingwood Garage; Alfred, who is associated with the Hetrick Manufacturing Company, Toledo; Albert and Ernest, both of whom live in Owatonna, Minnesota; and Emil A., of this review.

Emil A. Harrer attended the public schools of Blissfield, Michigan, and Milwaukee, Wisconsin, after which he was graduated from the Highland Park College at Des Moines, Iowa (automobile machinist course), in 1914. He then entered the employ of Hungum & Sons, of Wells, Minnesota, for whom he worked as a machinist in the auto repair department about four months. On January 15, 1915, he came to Toledo and went to work as an auto mechanic for K. S. Lemster, at 439 West Delaware avenue. On October 1, 1915, the business was sold to Malone Brothers, with whom Mr. Harrer remained until January, 1916. He then worked for various concerns in Toledo, including the Overland service station, the Ohio Electric Company and the Milburn Electric Company, of Toledo, until July 24, 1918, when he enlisted in the army, and was sent to Camp Jackson, South Carolina, where he was in training until October 14, 1918, when he went overseas and was with a replacement outfit. In February, 1919, he was assigned to the One Hundred and Nineteenth Field Artillery, Thirty-second Division. He was honorably discharged at Camp Sherman, Ohio, May 15, 1919.

Mr. Harrer then entered into a partnership with Guy Hayman and operated the Collingwood Garage, at 439 West Delaware avenue, for eighteen months. Harold Landis then bought Mr. Hayman's interest in the business and Messrs. Harrer and Landis were partners for about two and a half years. In February, 1923, Mr. Harrer bought Mr. Landis' interest in the business, of which he has since been the sole proprietor. The garage is ninety by one hundred and two feet in size and can accommodate seventy-five cars. Mr. Harrer has also an accessory, a repair and battery departments. He has operated this business in accordance with sound business principles and is deserving of the splendid success which is now his.

On November 24, 1920, in Toledo, Mr. Harrer was united in marriage to Miss Josephine Beal, who was born near New-

ark, Ohio, and is a daughter of Christ and Anna Beal, now of Zanesville, this state. Mrs. Harrer was educated in the public schools of Licking county, Ohio, and was a seamstress prior to her marriage.

Mr. Harrer is a republican in politics, and belongs to the American Legion and the Heart Lake Country Club, of Waters, Michigan. He and his wife are active members of St. Paul's Lutheran church, of which Mr. Harrer was formerly a deacon. He is a man of splendid character, earnest purpose and honorable principles, and all who have dealt with him hold him in high regard.

GEORGE FREDERICK MEYER

At the outset of his career George Frederick Meyer made efficiency his watchword, and in the steps of an orderly progression he has risen to a place of prominence in financial circles of Port Clinton. He was born here in 1875, a son of George F. and Louise (Balte) Meyer, natives of Germany. They were early settlers of Port Clinton, where the father became well known as a manufacturer of cigars.

George F. Meyer received a public school education and also attended a business college of Sandusky, Ohio. In 1893, when a young man of eighteen, he began his financial career as a bookkeeper in the German-American Bank and later was promoted to the position of assistant cashier, becoming cashier in 1911. Subsequently he was branch house manager for the Booth Fisheries of Chicago but on returning to Port Clinton resumed his financial activities. He is cashier of the American Bank and ably safeguards its interests. The other officers are: George A. True, president; Arthur Hagel, vice president; and A. C. Lausten and F. N. Zeis, assistant cashiers. The bank was organized March 10, 1891, and has a capital stock of forty thousand dollars. Its methods are founded on a broad policy of cooperation, and the institution has been a helpful ally of the business men of this locality.

Mr. Meyer was married December 31, 1896, to Miss Alpha Mitchell, and they have a daughter, Nancy Jeanne, who is the wife of L. E. Needham. Mr. Meyer is a member

of the Kiwanis Club, the Port Clinton Yacht Club and the Catawba Cliffs Country and Beach Club. In Masonry he has attained the thirty-second degree, and he is also connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is a shrewd financier, well versed in the details of modern banking, and his integrity and ability are well known to his fellow citizens, who entertain for him high regard.

LEO J. HAHN

Strong and purposeful, Leo J. Hahn secured his legal education through the medium of his own efforts and has established his position among the successful attorneys of Toledo. He was born in this city on the 16th of November, 1896, a son of Theodore and Mary (Wiegand) Hahn. The father was a native of Germany and sought the opportunities of the United States when a youth of sixteen. He came direct to Toledo and was engaged in merchandising for many years. His political support was given to the republican party, and in religious faith he was a Catholic. He remained in Toledo until his death, which occurred on the 28th of December, 1906, when he was a young man of thirty-six. His wife was born in this city, of which her parents, Henry and Anna (Karl) Wiegand, were early settlers. To the union of Mr. and Mrs. Hahn were born three children: Leo J. and Arnold H., twins; and Rosella, the wife of John Madden, of Toledo.

Leo J. Hahn was a pupil in St. Mary's parochial school and after the completion of his course matriculated in St. John's University, which awarded him the A. B. degree in 1917. Thereafter he became a receiving teller for the Security Savings Bank & Trust Company of Toledo, starting at a salary of eighty dollars per month. In 1918 he entered the service of his country and went overseas with the Eighty-eighth Division. He was sent to Evacuation Hospital No. 28 at Belfort, France, and in July, 1919, was honorably discharged.

On returning to Toledo Mr. Hahn accepted a position with the Harry C. Hassett Company, merchandise brokers, and later took a course in the Western Reserve University at

Cleveland, Ohio, from which he received the degree of LL. B. in 1923. For the first eight months of the term he was in the employ of the Cleveland Athletic Club and during the remainder of the time he attended the university he was in the service of Davis, Young & Vrooman, a leading law firm of that city, thus meeting the expenses of his legal education. After his admission to the bar he became a member of the Toledo firm of Schaal, Rupp & Hahn, now known as Rupp & Hahn, and the extent and importance of their practice indicates the confidence reposed in their legal ability. Mr. Hahn is a director of the Raleigh Company and attorney for the Personal Finance Company, local corporations of high rating. He is a safe counselor and equally able in his presentation of a case before the courts.

Mr. Hahn is a bachelor and resides at No. 3057 Hopewell place, in the suburb of Old Orchard, while his office is located on the fifth floor of the Gardner building. He is affiliated with the Roman Catholic church and has taken the third degree in the Knights of Columbus. He is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Highland Meadows Golf Club, the local chapter of the Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity, of which he was treasurer for two years, and the Toledo, Lucas County and Ohio State Bar Associations. His favorite sports are golf and fishing. Mr. Hahn also plays bridge and enjoys good literature. Studious, energetic and determined, he has already gained a secure foothold in his profession, and these traits, combined with his keen intellect and sound judgment, insure his continued progress therein.

WILLIAM ALBERT HUMMEL

William Albert Hummel, owner and president of the William A. Hummel Company, is one of the best known cement and roofing contractors in Toledo and has met with splendid success. He was born in Toledo on the 6th of May, 1875, and is a son of Peter and Mary (Whipking) Hummel. The father, who was born in Germany and died in Toledo, was engaged in the cement and roofing contracting business in this city. He was a republican in politics and attended Trin-

ity Protestant Episcopal church. His wife was born in Woodville, Ohio, and is now living with her son in Toledo.

William A. Hummel attended the public schools of Toledo and Davis Business College of this city, after which he became associated with Schillinger Brothers, cement and roofing contractors, as superintendent and subsequently, for fifteen years, as vice president. He then entered into a partnership with William B. Hillebrand, under the firm name of Hummel & Hillebrand, and they were engaged in the cement and roofing contracting business for twenty-two years. In March, 1927, Mr. Hummel organized the William A. Hummel Company, located at 427 Hamilton street, which, under his judicious management, is meeting with very satisfactory success. Mr. Hummel was formerly a director of the Auburndale Savings & Loan Association.

On May 6, 1901, in Toledo, Mr. Hummel was united in marriage to Miss Lula M. Kuhman, who was born and reared in this city and is a daughter of Louis and Mary (Fleischman) Kuhman. Her father was born in Germany and died in Toledo, Ohio, in May, 1910. He came to the United States when sixteen years old and was long connected with the Huebner Brewery. He was a republican in politics and attended the Lutheran church. His wife was born in and has always been a resident of Toledo and is a daughter of George and Barbara (Felt) Fleischman, both of whom were natives of Germany and died in Toledo. Mrs. Hummel was educated in the public schools, Ursuline College and Melcher's Business College, all of Toledo, and she is now secretary of the William A. Hummel Company. Mr. and Mrs. Hummel are the parents of three daughters: Mrs. Walter R. Blank, of Toledo, is a graduate of the Scott high school; Burnetta B., who is also a graduate of Scott high school and attended Toledo University, is now secretary to Dr. R. L. Kennedy, of this city. Lulu M. ("Billi") is a graduate of Scott high school and is now studying music.

Mr. Hummel has always supported the republican party and is one of Toledo's public-spirited citizens. He has been a member of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks for the past twenty-five years and is also a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Auto Club

and the Commerce Club. He attends Trinity Protestant Episcopal church but contributes also to the support of other denominations. He is essentially a man of affairs, of sound and reliable judgment, and the prosperity which is his has been gained through his persistent and well directed efforts.

JOSEPH ZIMMERMAN

Joseph Zimmerman, sheriff of Lucas county, and formerly a councilman of Toledo, is demonstrating his public spirit by actual achievements for the general good. He was born in this city on the 8th of March, 1889, a son of Morris and Rachel Zimmerman, natives of Russia. They were married in that country and came to the United States in 1882. The father was a blacksmith and followed his trade in Toledo for many years.

Joseph Zimmerman received a public school education and started in life as a newsboy, selling papers on the streets of his native city for ten years. He afterward served an apprenticeship in the printing plant of the Toledo News-Bee and continued in that department of the paper until 1917, when he enlisted for service in the World war and served for twenty months, spending one and a half years overseas. Mr. Zimmerman was at first with the Forty-second Division and later was transferred to advance ordnance section No. 1. After receiving his honorable discharge he entered the employ of the Toledo Blade and was a printer for that paper until November, 1928, when he was elected sheriff of Lucas county. In the discharge of his duties he is fearless, conscientious and efficient, and he also made an enviable record as councilman, representing the sixth ward and working at all times for the best interests of the city. He was elected to the office on the republican ticket and has served since 1923.

Mr. Zimmerman adheres to the Jewish faith and is affiliated with the Independent Order of B'nai B'rith. He is a Scottish Rite Mason and is also identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Grotto, the American Legion and the Izaak Walton

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League. He is chairman of the Boy Scout troop; trustee of the Sam Davis Health Camp, and is connected with various other organizations. Mr. Zimmerman has a keen sense of duty and honor and is esteemed and respected by all who know him.

SAM H. KUESTHARDT

Sam H. Kuesthardt is successfully following in the footsteps of his father and as the executive head of the Progressive Times Publishing Company of Port Clinton figures prominently in newspaper circles of northwestern Ohio. The business has been controlled by the family since 1890, when it was acquired by Sam Kuesthardt, Sr. He remained at the head of the paper until his death in 1921, and his wife, Mary Kuesthardt, passed away in 1923. Since the father's demise the paper has been owned and conducted by his heirs: Martha E., Sam H., Paul, Edgar L. and Carl Kuesthardt; Mrs. Olga A. Hill and Mrs. Marie J. Witter. On December 20, 1926, the business was incorporated under the name of the Progressive Times Publishing Company, of which Sam H. Kuesthardt is president and manager and Martha E. Kuesthardt is secretary, treasurer and managing editor. They issue one of the best weeklies in this part of the state, and the paper has a circulation of thirteen hundred and twenty-five. Its columns are filled with good reading matter and its news is always authentic. The paper is an effective exponent of local interests and is steadily gaining in usefulness and popularity. It was formerly a German publication, issued under the name of the Ottawa County Zeitung, the only journal of the kind in circulation in the county, and on July 4, 1917, was changed to the Progressive Times and to the English language. The paper lives up to its name and embodies the best ideas of modern journalism. The company handles a complete line of office supplies and also has facilities for artistic commercial printing in its well equipped plant at No. 128 West Second street. Mr. Kuesthardt closely supervises every detail of the work and has thoroughly systematized the business, which is conducted with marked efficiency.

In 1927 Mr. Kuesthardt was united in marriage to Mrs. Katie Stamper, of Rome, Georgia. He is an adherent of the democratic party and stands for progress, reform and improvement in public affairs. He belongs to the Kiwanis Club, the Lake District Newspaper Association, of which he is president, the Ohio Newspaper Association, the Buckeye Press Association and the National Editorial Association. He has a high conception of the responsibilities of his profession and has made the Times the champion of every movement for the growth and betterment of this district.

WILLIAM E. GRAVES

The progress of a community depends largely upon the enterprise and initiative of its business men, and through his intelligently directed mercantile activities William E. Graves has contributed materially toward Oak Harbor's commercial development, at the same time winning the legitimate reward of a well spent life. He was born in Genoa, Ohio, in 1874, a son of J. H. and Mary Graves, and is of German lineage in the paternal line. In 1893 he was graduated from high school and for ten years thereafter was a teacher in rural schools of Ottawa county. He then turned his attention to mercantile affairs and in 1906 became one of the owners of the business of the Mylander Hardware Company. For twenty-one years he was associated with George A. Meyer in merchandising under the style of Graves & Meyer and since the death of his partner in 1926 has been sole owner of the business. It is conducted under his own name and the Graves hardware store is one of the oldest and most reliable in Oak Harbor. Mr. Graves carries a complete stock of shelf and heavy hardware and also handles farm implements. He is a courteous dealer, ever ready to supply the needs of customers, and the steady growth of his business is due to judicious management and his close conformity to the Golden Rule.

In 1902 Mr. Graves married Miss Clara Rosentreter, who passed away in 1921, leaving a son, John H., who was born in 1904. For three seasons he was a radio operator, stationed on boats navigating on the Great Lakes, and is now

associated with his father in the hardware business. He married Miss Velma Wolfe, and their attractive home is a center of the social life of Oak Harbor. He is a Mason and also belongs to the Lions Club. William E. Graves' second union was with Miss Johanna Schnoor, to whom he was married in Oak Harbor in 1923, and her death occurred a year later. She was affiliated with the Evangelical church and Mr. Graves also adheres to that faith.

In politics he is a stanch democrat and was a central committeeman for five years. He is serving for the second term on the county election board and has been a councilman for two years. He is a Knights Templar Mason, a member of Fremont Commandery, No. 56, and has attained the thirty-second degree in the Scottish Rite. He is a member of the Business Men's Association of Oak Harbor. Mr. Graves is deeply interested in matters of public moment and combines in his character all the qualities of a useful and desirable citizen.

JOSEPH WILLIAM SPRENGER, D. O.

Dr. Joseph William Sprenger is a well known osteopathic practitioner of Port Clinton and an able exponent of his profession. He was born in 1897 and is a native of this community. His father, Charles J. Sprenger, was born in Germany in 1871 and was educated in the public schools of that country, afterward serving an apprenticeship in a bakery. In 1888 he sailed for the United States and has since been a resident of Port Clinton. For a time he was employed in a barber shop and then established a business of his own which he conducted successfully for fourteen years. In 1907 he sold his barber shop and purchased a farm four miles from Port Clinton. He has since operated the place and specializes in the growing of apples and pears, having a fine orchard of twenty-two acres. For four years he was one of the councilmen of Port Clinton and has been clerk of the courts since 1922, entering upon his fourth term in August, 1928. Mr. Sprenger has made a highly creditable record as a public servant and is a citizen of substantial worth. He adheres to

the Catholic faith and is a devout communicant of the Church of the Immaculate Conception. In 1895 he was united in marriage to Miss Amelia Beck, and Joseph William Sprenger is their only child.

Dr. Sprenger attended the public schools of Port Clinton and in 1920 was graduated from the School of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Missouri. For six months he served as an interne at Kirksville and later as interne in the Detroit Osteopathic Hospital and lived in that city for one year. Afterward he removed to Romeo, Michigan, where he followed his profession for a few years, and on March 1, 1925, opened an office in Port Clinton. He has an exact knowledge of anatomy as well as the scientific principles upon which his work is based and has met with gratifying success in his efforts to combat disease and alleviate suffering. He is located at No. 315 Jackson street and enjoys a large practice.

Dr. Sprenger was married May 28, 1921, to Miss Gretchen Rutishauser and they have two sons, Richard and Robert. Mrs. Sprenger is a member of the Congregational church of Woodstock, Connecticut, and the Doctor is affiliated with Immaculate Conception church. He is an adherent of the democratic party and is a member of the Lions Club, the Port Clinton Yacht Club, the Catawba Cliffs Beach Club and the state and national osteopathic associations. He has charge of the athletic department of the Port Clinton high school and is active in behalf of the Boy Scouts and all movements which tend to advance the standards of American citizenship. Dr. Sprenger is a young man of high ideals and occupies a secure place in the esteem of his fellow citizens.

IRWIN H. FRIEDMAR

Early in life Irwin H. Friedmar recognized the importance of industry and perseverance as factors in the attainment of success and these qualities have brought him to the fore in legal circles of Toledo. He was born in New York city on the 11th of September, 1903, and is a son of Joseph and Ann (Levine) Friedmar, natives of Kiev, Russia. They

were married in that city and emigrated to America in 1902. They spent one year in New York city and then came to Ohio, locating in Toledo, where the father has since engaged in the automobile business. He has a family of three children, two sons and a daughter.

The eldest, Irwin H. Friedmar, was graduated from the Scott high school in 1922 and completed his education in the University of Ohio, Northern, in 1926. He was employed during vacation periods and thus paid his way through college. Since his admission to the bar he has engaged in general practice in Toledo and is entrusted with legal interests of importance. He is well versed in the fundamental principles of jurisprudence, readily quotes precedents, and is clear in his reasoning and logical in his deductions.

Mr. Friedmar was married April 7, 1926, in Toledo to Miss Geneva Jane Firsdon, a native of Bowling Green, Ohio, and a daughter of David and Josephine (Daugherty) Firsdon, members of one of the old families of Wood county. Mr. and Mrs. Friedmar have one child, Joanne J., who was born in Toledo, November 11, 1927.

The family reside at No. 2444 Warren street, and Mr. Friedmar's office is located on the eighth floor of the Spitzer building. He adheres to the Jewish faith and is unbiased in his political views, voting according to the dictates of his judgment. He is a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Loyal Order of Moose, and the Toledo and Ohio Bar Associations. For recreation he turns to fishing and also enjoys baseball. Nature has endowed Mr. Friedmar with a keen intellect, and that he is a young man of exceptional worth is indicated by the high place which he holds in the esteem of Toledo's citizens, with whom practically his entire life has been spent.

HENRY C. VOGELI

Henry C. Vogeli, president of the John Vogeli Company, is one of Toledo's able and successful young business men and conducts the business of the company along the same substantial lines as established by his father, who was its

founder. He was born in Toledo on the 1st of September, 1904, and is a son of John and Bertha (Helwig) Vogeli. His paternal grandparents were Henry and Elizabeth (Snetzler) Vogeli, both of whom were natives of Switzerland, whence they came to Toledo, where Henry Vogeli engaged in the sheetmetal business. They both died in this city. John Vogeli was born in Switzerland on the 15th of September, 1879, and died in Toledo, Ohio, May 3, 1928. He was in the sheetmetal and roofing business all of his life and established the firm since known as The John Vogeli Company. He was a veteran of the Spanish-American war, in which he served with the rank of a corporal. He was a republican in his political views, and he and his wife were members of the First Reformed church of Toledo. His wife was born in Toledo, April 13, 1878, and is a daughter of Fred and Reika (Kreiger) Helwig, both of whom were born in Germany and now reside in Toledo. Mr. Helwig is a retired railroad man. To Mr. and Mrs. Vogeli were born three children, namely: Henry C., of this review, is the only son. Lucile Mae, who was graduated from the Libbey high school in Toledo and took a special course in the Martha Morrison School for Women, is now bookkeeper for the East Side Towing Company and resides with her mother in Perrysburg. Ruth Bertha is a sophomore in the Toledo high school.

Henry C. Vogeli was graduated from the Toledo high school in 1922, after which he took a special course in sheetmetal working at the Carnegie Institute of Technology in Pittsburgh, from which he was graduated in 1925. He then became connected with The John Vogeli Company as a stockholder and outside superintendent, and one year later was made vice president, also doing the estimating and having charge of the office up to the time of his father's death, when he became president of the company. His mother, Mrs. Bertha M. Vogeli, is vice president, and Mrs. Albert H. Miller is secretary. The company does all kinds of sheetmetal and roofing work, in which it has won and retains a high reputation for the superior quality of its work, the result being a steady and substantial increase in the volume of business from year to year.

Mr. Vogeli is a member of Phoenix Lodge, No. 123, F. &

A. M.; Toledo Consistory, A. A. S. R.; Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; the Toledo Kiwanis Club and the Junior Chamber of Commerce. His religious membership is with the Lutheran church, and in political affairs he maintains an independent attitude. He is a man of substantial qualities, dependable in everything to which he gives his attention, and has a fine record of successful business management.

RAYMOND R. SEMON, D. O.

For sixteen years Dr. Raymond R. Semon has engaged in the practice of his profession in Port Clinton and enjoys an enviable reputation as as osteopathic physician. He was born in 1892 and has always resided here. His father, Frank D. Semon, was engaged in the plumbing and heating business in Port Clinton for a number of years but is now retired, and his mother, Louise A. Semon, is also living.

Dr. Semon completed his high school course in 1910 and prepared for his chosen line of work in the College of Osteopathy at Kirksville, Missouri, graduating with the class of 1913. Since that time he has followed his profession in Port Clinton and in years of continuous activity is its oldest osteopathic practitioner. The Doctor studied optometry under Dr. Wagoner, finishing his course in Omaha, Nebraska, in 1919, and his knowledge of this science has been utilized to advantage in connection with his work as an osteopathist. Experience has enhanced his skill, and his patients are drawn from a wide area.

In September, 1922, Dr. Semon married Miss Marjorie E. Hagel, who was graduated from the University of Ohio at Athens and is a daughter of Richard and Hannah Hagel. Dr. and Mrs. Semon have two sons: Richard F., who was born in 1923; and James R., born September 9, 1925. The parents are Episcopalians in religious faith and the Doctor casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party. He is a York Rite Mason, an Elk, a member of the Colonial Club, the Port Clinton Yacht Club, the Catawba Country Club and the Ohio State and American Osteopathic Associations. Genial and companionable by nature, Dr. Semon enjoys the social

side of life but never neglects his professional duties and is a young man of fine mental and moral qualities, which have won for him a high place in the esteem of his fellow citizens.

KENNETT J. NORWINE

Kennett J. Norwine, vice president of the E. G. Vorce Motor Company, handling automobiles in Genoa, was born in Bismarck, Missouri, in 1889 and acquired a public school education. He became a licensed embalmer, having attended the M. H. Alexander School of Embalming in 1910, and engaged in business along that line in charge of a funeral home until 1918, when he removed to Toledo and obtained a clerical position with the Edward Ford Plate Glass Company, with which he was connected until 1920, when he became associated with E. G. Vorce. For five years he was sales manager for E. G. Vorce, who conducted a Ford agency, and in 1925 the business was incorporated under the name of the E. G. Vorce Motor Company, since which time they have handled the Chevrolet, Oakland and Pontiac cars. They carry in stock a complete line of these cars and Mr. Norwine employs three salesmen for the territory in which he is operating, with offices and sales rooms at Genoa, while his territory is approximately ten miles square. As vice president of the E. G. Vorce Motor Company, Mr. Norwine is contributing to the success of the steadily growing business which constitutes an important factor in the commercial activity of his section of the state.

In 1910 Mr. Norwine was married to Miss Raphael St. Gemme, and they have two sons: Kennett Walter, who was graduated from the high school of Genoa and is now a student in the University of Detroit as a member of the class of 1930; and Carmon C., who is a junior in high school; and a daughter, Dorothy L., a member of the freshman class in high school.

Mr. and Mrs. Norwine are keenly interested in educational matters and she is now president of the Parent-Teacher Association, an organization that is doing most active work in advancing the interests of the schools. Frater-

nally Mr. Norwine is a Mason and an Odd Fellow, having membership in the lodges in Genoa. His political allegiance is given to the democratic party, and his interest in civic affairs is manifest in many tangible ways. He is a charter member of the Exchange Club and attends the Christian church, while at all times he gives his aid and support to projects of general worth, ranking high both as a citizen and as a business man.

ROBERT F. BARTLEY

Few obstacles can deter the man of energy, courage and determination, and of this type is Robert F. Bartley, who secured his legal education through indomitable purpose and strenuous effort. He is one of the able lawyers of Toledo and represents the third generation of the family in this city. He was born here on the 27th of February, 1890, a son of Hugh J. and Amanda (Lehman) Bartley. The grandfather, Hugh J. Bartley, Sr., was a native of Cork, Ireland, and in his youth sought the opportunities of the new world. He settled in New Jersey and fought for the Union during the Civil war. Soon afterward he established his home in Toledo and continued a resident of the city until his death, which occurred in 1917. He devoted his attention to industrial affairs and was well known as a manufacturer of saws. His political support was given to the republican party, and in religious faith he was a Roman Catholic. He had a family of eleven children, of whom five survive.

His son, Hugh J. Bartley, Jr., was born in Paterson, New Jersey, in 1865 and attended parochial and public schools of Toledo. After completing his studies he learned the trade of a printer and was a pressman for twenty-three years. Subsequently he became United States marshal at Toledo through appointment of President Wilson and met a tragic death in 1921, while filling that office. He was a stalwart democrat, and his fraternal affiliations were with the Eagles and the Red Men. His wife, who was born in Buffalo, New York, passed away in 1901. Her parents were natives of Germany but spent the greater part of their lives in the

United States. Mr. and Mrs. Bartley were the parents of three children: Robert F.; Lillian A., who is the wife of Rodger A. Melchoir, of Toledo; and Howard E. Bartley, also a resident of this city.

Robert F. Bartley received his rudimentary instruction in one of the parochial schools of Toledo and later was a pupil in the public schools of the city. His start in life was gained as a member of the police force of Toledo, with which he was connected for eleven years in the capacity of a detective, and he successfully handled many difficult criminal and civil cases. A close observer and a keen analyst of character, Mr. Bartley became thoroughly conversant with conditions in the lower strata of society and is well known as the author of the book entitled "Big Bill," a story of the underworld. Most of the characters were taken from real life, and Mr. Bartley's personal contacts and experiences with crime and criminals are graphically depicted in this interesting book. While discharging the duties of a detective he was preparing for a professional career, devoting every leisure moment to the reading of law books, and he attended night classes in the school maintained by the Young Men's Christian Association, a private school of the city, Toledo University and St. John's University. After nine years of hard study he was graduated from the last named institution in June, 1922, with the degree of LL. B. and has since engaged in general practice in Toledo. He devotes much time and thought to the preparation of his cases, which are presented in the most effective manner, and the extent of importance of his clientele proves the confidence reposed in his legal acumen.

On the 25th of November, 1908, Mr. Bartley was married in Toledo to Berna B. Gardner, a native of this city and a daughter of John A. and Louise (Jenne) Gardner. Mr. Bartley has a suite of offices on the eighth floor of the Nicholas building, and his residence is at No. 4341 Willys parkway. He casts his ballot for the candidates of the democratic party. Along fraternal lines he is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, and Mrs. Bartley belongs to the women's auxiliary of that organization. Mr. Bartley is a member of the local bar association and maintains his physical and mental vigor by playing golf. A young man of

marked ability and exceptional force of character, he has already accomplished much and is destined to succeed in everything that he undertakes.

REV. FRANCIS J. MACELWANE, M. A.

The educational interests of the Catholic diocese of Toledo are in capable hands in the person of Rev. Francis J. Macelwane, who for the past nine years has served as superintendent of schools, in which capacity he has been effective in maintaining the various institutions under his charge at a high standard of efficiency.

Father Macelwane was born in the home of his parents on the shore of Sandusky bay, three miles southeast of Port Clinton, Ohio, September 8, 1890, and is a son of Alexander and Catherine (Carr) Macelwane. The father was a native of Kingston, Ontario, Canada, and the mother was born in Ireland, whence she was brought to America at the age of eleven years. Father Macelwane received his elementary education in the public schools, from which he was graduated in June, 1904, after which he attended St. John's high school, Toledo, from which he was graduated in June, 1908. He pursued his classical studies in St. John's College at Toledo, graduating in June, 1911, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, and receiving also from his alma mater his Master degree in June, 1921. He carried on his philosophical and theological work in the University of Innsbruck, Tyrol, from October, 1911, until July, 1915, and also took a postgraduate course in education at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C., during the college year 1921-22.

On October 28, 1915, at Toledo, Ohio, Father Macelwane was ordained to the priesthood by Rt. Rev. Joseph Schrembs, D. D., Bishop of Toledo, and was soon appointed assistant pastor of the cathedral chapel, in which position he served from 1915 to 1920, except during the period of his army service. He served as a chaplain in the United States army during 1918-19, during which period he was assigned to the air service at Payne field, West Point, Mississippi. From 1916 to 1920 Father Macelwane served as superintendent of the

Cathedral high school in Toledo, and then was appointed principal of the Central Catholic high school, in which capacity he served until his promotion to his present position as superintendent of schools of the diocese of Toledo. He has a deep and sincere interest in the mental, moral and physical welfare of the youth of the diocese, and under his able supervision each of these departments of child training receives its due share of attention. Father Macelwane is a member of the American Legion, the Knights of Columbus and the United States Army Officers Reserve Corps. A man of high culture and attainments, he possesses a forceful individuality and commands the respect of all who come in contact with him. He is doing a splendid work along educational lines, through which he is exerting an influence immeasurable in its eventual results.

AUGUST G. LINKEY

Among Woodville's progressive citizens and successful business men stands August G. Linkey, who is conducting a large and prosperous baking business, having a modern and up-to-date plant and commanding a patronage that extends throughout the surrounding territory. Mr. Linkey was born in Gibsonburg, Ohio, in 1886, and is a son of Emanuel and Hattie (Smith) Linkey, of whom the former was extensively engaged in farming and had large oil interests. Mr. Linkey attended the public schools of his native town, graduating from high school, after which he went to work as a clerk in the grocery store of Smith & Sanders. In 1923 he came to Woodville and engaged in the baking business, in which success attended him and he now has a well equipped place, the property being forty-four by one hundred and thirty-two feet, on which is located his substantial building, which contains all the equipment essential to the proper conduct of the business. He produces all kinds of bread and pastry and takes a justifiable pride in the high quality of his goods, which are in great demand, his business enjoying a constant and steady increase. He sells both wholesale and retail and keeps a truck for delivering to dealers.

AUGUST G. LINKEY

In 1915 Mr. Linkey was united in marriage to Miss Flossie Ottney, of Gibsonburg, Ohio, daughter of Joseph and Amanda (Urich) Ottney, and they are the parents of four children, Helen, August, Jr., Rosalie and Garth. Mr. Linkey gives his political support to the democratic party, is president of the county advisory board of health and is active in local civic affairs. In the fall of 1927 he was elected mayor of Woodville, for a two-year term, in which office he is still serving. He is also secretary of the Doughboy Monument Committee and president of the fire department. He is a director of the Exchange Club and has just completed the organization of the Exchange Club of Gibsonburg. He was a leader of the Gibsonburg band for twenty years and is now the leader of the Ohio State Maccabees Band of Gibsonburg, and is a member of the Knights of the Maccabees, while Mrs. Linkey belongs to the Ladies of the Maccabees. They attend the Lutheran church, to which they give generous support, and while living in Gibsonburg Mrs. Linkey served as organist in her church. Mr. Linkey is a man of fine character and commands the uniform respect and esteem of those who know him.

LEE O. TUSTISON

Lee O. Tustison is classed with the able newspaper publishers of northwestern Ohio. For seventeen years he has been general manager of the Defiance Crescent-News, an up-to-date daily newspaper devoted to the welfare of this district. Mr. Tustison was born in DeKalb county, Indiana, August 22, 1881, a son of Charles A. and Flora A. (Scholes) Tustison. After completion of his high school course he matriculated in the Tri-State College at Angola, Indiana, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. For a few years he followed the teaching profession. In 1907 he began his newspaper career as an advertising man, first with the Whitley County (Indiana) News, then with the Herald at Denison, Texas, afterward going with the Gazette at Sterling, Illinois. In 1911 he located at Hicksville, Ohio, purchasing the News, which he published for two years. He

came to Defiance in August, 1912, as manager of the Crescent-News. In 1916 he acquired the paper. In 1920 he shared the publication of the Crescent-News with Ralph W. Peters, who has since been the editor of the paper. The progressive endeavors of these men have made the Crescent-News one of the best papers in this part of the state. It is steadily growing in power and influence and is highly regarded by the people of the community. On the 2d of June, 1909, Mr. Tustison was united in marriage with Miss Mae Hamilton, of DeKalb county, Indiana. They have one son, Keith H. Mr. Tustison is president of the Defiance Chamber of Commerce and a director in the State Bank of Defiance. He is also a Rotarian, and his religious views are indicated by his affiliation with the Presbyterian church.

LE ROY LORIN BELT, M. D.

Dr. Le Roy Lorin Belt, who served in the World war, is engaged in the practice of medicine in Marblehead, where he has made his home for eight years. He was born in Kenton, Ohio, in 1892 and is successfully following in the professional footsteps of his father, Dr. W. A. Belt, who is a native of Wapakoneta, this state. About 1871, when a boy, the latter came to Lakeside, Ohio, with his father, Le Roy A. Belt, who surveyed the town. Being an educator of ability, Le Roy A. Belt was called to the presidency of Ada College and also served as a Methodist minister and presiding elder of the Toledo and Bellefontaine districts. For a few years Dr. W. A. Belt was proprietor of a hotel in Lakeside while attending the Cincinnati Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1884. He then opened an office in Kenton, Ohio, where he has practiced for many years, drawing his patients from a wide area. He is secretary of the Hardin County Medical Society, and also belongs to the State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. A past grand master of the Grand Lodge of Masons of the state of Ohio, he has received the honorary thirty-third degree in recognition of his services in behalf of the order. He is a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal church and gives his political allegiance

to the republican party. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Alba Webster, passed away in 1897. Her daughter, Rachel, is the wife of E. W. Bank, instructor in public speaking at the University of Wisconson. William A. Belt, Jr., a half-brother of Dr. Le Roy L. Belt, was graduated from the law school of the University of Michigan and is now connected with a well known firm of Toledo attorneys.

Reared in his native town, Dr. Le Roy L. Belt attended its public schools and a preparatory school in Kenton, afterward taking a course in the Ohio Wesleyan University. He was next a medical student at the Western Reserve University at Cleveland, Ohio, graduating with the class of 1916, and while in that city was an interne of the Babies Hospital and also the St. Clair Hospital. On leaving Cleveland he entered Harper Hospital, a Detroit institution, with which he was connected for two years in a professional capacity, and during the World war went overseas with the Harper Hospital unit. He was attached to Base Hospital No. 17, winning a captaincy during the period of his service in France, and in April, 1919, was honorably discharged. In 1920 he returned to Kenton, joining his father, with whom he was associated in practice until February, 1921, when he came to Marblehead to take charge of the hospital of the Kelley Island Lime & Transport Company. He has since had supervision of the institution, performing his important duties with the thoroughness and efficiency which have always characterized his work.

In 1920 Dr. Belt married Miss Frances Jordan, a daughter of Dr. A. B. and Katherine Jordan of Marblehead. Mrs. Belt was graduated from the nurses training school of Harper Hospital and also served in France during the war. Dr. and Mrs. Belt have three children: Le Roy L., Jr., aged eight years; Mary Katherine, six years; and John Robert, nine months.

The Doctor and his wife are affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal church in Kenton, and he casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party. A York Rite Mason, he has attained the Knight Templar degree in the commandery and is also connected with the Knights of Pythias, the Civic Club, the Ottawa County and Ohio State Medical Societies

and the American Medical Association. Natural talent and acquired ability have brought him rapidly to the fore in his profession, while earnest study and close application insure his continued progress therein.

PAUL FREDERICK ORR, M. D.

Dr. Paul Frederick Orr, commissioner of health for Toledo, has utilized his professional knowledge for the benefit of humanity and is widely and favorably known as a pathologist and writer on subjects pertaining to the science of disease. He was born in Holton, Brown county, Kansas, September 5, 1895, and is a son of Robert J. and Carrie Suzanna (Ebert) Orr. The paternal grandfather was born in the northern part of Ireland and early in the nineteenth century emigrated to America. He settled on a farm in Iowa and there spent the remainder of his life. Robert J. Orr was born in the Hawkeye state and completed his education in Kansas. As a young man he engaged in teaching and also followed farming. In politics he is a strong republican and has served as postmaster of Lawton, Oklahoma, for several years. During his early life he was a Presbyterian but after his marriage joined the Methodist church, of which his wife was a member. She was born near Allentown, Pennsylvania, and is of Dutch lineage. To Mr. and Mrs. Orr were born two sons: Herbert S., who works under his father in the Lawton post office; and Paul Frederick.

Dr. Orr completed a caurse in the Cameron high school at Lawton, Oklahoma, in 1912 and won the B. S. degree from the Oklahoma Agricultural & Mechanical College at Stillwater in 1915. He next attended the Iowa State College, of which he became a research fellow in bacteriology in 1917, and in 1918 was awarded the degree of M. S. by that institution. From 1919 to 1921 he was a student in the scientific department of Harvard University and in 1925 was graduated from its medical school. In August, 1924, he had become an interne of the Henry Ford Hospital of Detroit, Michigan, and remained there for about a year. During 1915-16 he was graduate assistant in chemistry at the Oklahoma

Agricultural & Mechanical College and for a year thereafter was assistant bacteriologist of the department of health of Toledo. In 1917-18 he was research fellow in bacteriology and hygiene at the State College of Iowa and then became teaching fellow in preventive medicine and hygiene at the Harvard Medical School, acting in that capacity until 1921. During 1923-24 he was assistant in pathology at the same school and from 1925 until 1928 was state medical inspector and assistant epidemiologist of the department of health of Michigan. On the 1st of May, 1928, he returned to Toledo as commissioner of health and has made a fine record in that office, giving to the city the services of an expert.

Dr. Orr has carried his researches far and wide into the realms of medical science and has made valuable contributions to the literature of his profession. He is the author of "A Study of the Thermal Death Points of Bacteria," an article written in 1918 for the Society of American Bacteriologists and read before its members in Washington, D. C.; "The Bacteriological Characteristics of Bacillus Botulinus," written for the Society of Experimental Biology & Medicine in 1919; "The Pathogenicity of Bacillus Botulinus," which appeared in the Journal of Medical Research in January, 1921; a monograph on "Toxic By-Products of Bacillus Botulinus," written for the Society of Experimental Biology & Medicine in 1921; a treatise entitled "A Rapid Method for the Determination of Botulinus Toxin," which was published in the Journal of Infectious Diseases in 1921; "An Epidemiological Study of Undulant Fever in Michigan," prepared for the American Public Health Association in December, 1928, and a further study of the same subject, written for that association in 1929; "Dosage of Toxin for Active Immunization Against Scarlet Fever," published in the paper issued by the Michigan department of health; and "An Epidemic of Typhoid Fever Following a Church Dinner," an article which appeared in the same journal.

Dr. Orr was married August 28, 1921, in Plymouth, Massachusetts, to Miss Dorothy Alice Dean, who was born in Boston, July 25, 1903, and is a daughter of Arthur and Gertrude (Riddell) Dean. The Riddell family is of English origin and was established in Salem, Massachusetts, during

the period of the Revolutionary war. Dr. and Mrs. Orr have become the parents of one child, Laurie Ann, who was born in Lansing, Michigan, May 12, 1926.

From the time of the inception of the society of Boy Scouts of America the Doctor has been a tireless worker in behalf of the organization and was scoutmaster of Troop No. 1 at Boston, previously having been assistant scoutmaster of Troop No. 22 at Toledo. He belongs to the Exchange Club of this city and in 1922, when identified with the Oklahoma Agricultural & Mechanical College, was elected a member of the Phi Kappa Phi honorary fraternity. In 1923, while a Harvard instructor, he was elected a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha society, an honorary medical fraternity. In 1917 he was chosen a member of the Society of American Bacteriologists and has been affiliated with the American Public Health Association since 1918. In 1928 he became a member of the Toledo Academy of Medicine and is also connected with the Lucas County and Ohio State Medical Societies and the American Medical Association. In politics he is a republican, and his religious views are in harmony with the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal church. His hours of leisure are spent in the open, and his favorite sports are tennis, handball and hunting. Dr. Orr paid for his medical education by teaching and at one time was a physician in the Boston Dispensary. Although young in years he occupies a position of eminence in his profession and has to his credit a notable record of brilliant achievement.

JAMES H. BAHNSEN

James H. Bahnsen, now secretary and assistant manager of the R. Hagel Company, of Gypsum, was born in Germany in 1890 and was about one year old when brought to the United States by his parents, Hans and Anna Bahnsen. For a time after settling here the father engaged in farming but later worked in the gypsum industry and for the past ten years has been janitor of the Gypsum schoolhouse.

James H. Bahnsen received his education in the public schools and in 1905, when fifteen years of age, he entered the

employ of R. Hagel, a general merchant, with whom he remained for one year and a half. Mr. Hagel then sold out to the R. Hagel Company, for which concern Mr. Bahnsen worked until 1912, when he embarked in the mercantile business under the name of Bahnsen, Ross & Company. This venture met with success, but within three months R. Hagel & Company bought him out and from that time Mr. Bahnsen has been a stockholder and officially identified with the company. He is now serving as credit manager, secretary and assistant manager of the business, in which capacities he is rendering a high type of service.

In 1921 Mr. Bahnsen was united in marriage to Miss Carrie Luchsimgen, of Port Clinton, and they are parents of a daughter, Elenore, born August 7, 1924. Mrs. Bahnsen is a member of a literary club and is actively interested in the social affairs of her community.

Politically Mr. Bahnsen is independent and has been active in his efforts for the advancement of his community. He is a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the American Legion and the Port Clinton Yacht Club. He is a veteran of the World war, having enlisted in April, 1918, in the Three Hundred and Thirty-second Regiment United States Infantry, with which he was overseas about ten months, and was honorably discharged May 3, 1919. During his period overseas he served in both France and Italy. He is a man of excellent qualities and is highly respected by all who have come in contact with him.

DEWILTON ADOLPHUS KRAEMER

The leading newspaper of Ottawa county is the Ottawa County Exponent, which is owned and edited by Dewilton A. Kraemer at Oak Harbor. He has been personally identified with this publication from the age of twelve years, or a period of forty-five years, and has developed it into one of the best country newspapers in northwestern Ohio.

Mr. Kraemer was born in Oak Harbor, Ohio, on the 13th of May, 1872, and is a son of Judge J. H. and Lottie (Earl)

Kraemer. Judge Kraemer, who was born in Oak Harbor, March 8, 1845, is of German descent, his father, with two brothers, having come from the fatherland when young men and located at Lancaster, Ohio. His father later moved to the vicinity of Toledo, Ohio, and eventually settled in Ottawa county, founding the town of Oak Harbor. This was first called Hartford, but the name was later changed to Oak Harbor because there was another Hartford in Ohio. Lottie (Earl) Kraemer, who was born in Cleveland, Ohio, December 7, 1848, is of English descent. Her brother, William Earl, built the Ottawa county infirmary. Judge Kraemer and his wife are now residing in Los Angeles, California, both being past eighty years of age. Of the six children born to them, three are living, namely: Dewilton A., of this review; Thomas E., the proprietor of Kraemer's restaurants in Columbus, Ohio; and Maud E., who is with her parents in Los Angeles.

D. A. Kraemer attended the public schools of Oak Harbor, graduating from high school in 1891. He assisted his father on the home farm from the time he was old enough, and when about twelve went to work in the printing office of which he is now the owner. Thus he has spent practically his entire career here and has been manager of the plant for the past thirty-five years and sole proprietor and editor for about twenty years. The Exponent, which has a circulation of twenty-two hundred and fifty, is ably edited, the news of the county being presented in an attractive style, while typographically the paper is the equal of any of its contemporaries. It is a splendid advertising medium, for it is a welcome visitor to practically all of the homes of this section of the county.

On August 15, 1906, Mr. Kraemer was united in marriage to Miss Anna Kathryn Buck, who was born in Carroll township, Ottawa county, Ohio, March 1, 1882, and is a daughter of Jacob D. and Christina (Meyer) Buck. Her father, who was born in Danbury township, Ottawa county, March 28, 1854, is now residing with his children. Her mother, who was born in Danbury township, Ottawa county, February 6, 1857, is deceased. Of the nine children born to Mr. and Mrs. Buck, seven are living, namely: Mrs. J. J.

Schau, of Port Clinton, Ohio; Mrs. William L. Zeis, of Port Clinton; Mrs. D. A. Kraemer, of Oak Harbor; Mrs. R. I. Heller, of Oak Harbor; Wesley M., of Pontiac, Michigan; Jarrold D., of Flint, Michigan; Kenneth, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Mr. and Mrs. Kraemer are the parents of two children: Bryan Dudley, born in Oak Harbor, October 30, 1908; and Jean Louise, born in Oak Harbor, July 10, 1910.

Mrs. Kraemer has always taken an active interest in the civic and social affairs of Oak Harbor, being a member of the Literary and Social Club, Oakmores, a social club, and the Order of the Eastern Star, while she is a leader in the work of the Ladies Aid Society. Mr. Kraemer has always supported the democratic party, and he and his wife are members of the Methodist Episcopal church. He is a member of Oak Harbor Lodge, No. 495, F. & A. M.; Oak Harbor Chapter, No. 162, R. A. M.; Oak Harbor Lodge, No. 516, K. P., in which he has passed through the chairs; the Oak Harbor Business Men's Association and the Exchange Club. Personally and through the columns of his paper, Mr. Kraemer has been a constant and effective booster for Oak Harbor and has been actively identified with every movement the object of which has been the betterment of the community along material, civic or moral lines. He has been successful in his business, has commanded the uniform respect of his fellowmen and is regarded as one of the representative men of his locality.

MERRILL B. RUDES

Merrill B. Rudes, who has won a creditable place among the automobile dealers in Ottawa county, is identified with the sales service branch of the business in handling the Overland, Whippet, Willys-Knight and La Salle cars at Genoa. He is a native of the city in which he still resides, his birth having here occurred in 1890. His father, Carl A. Rudes, also a native of Ottawa county, was employed for a long

period by the Lake Shore Railroad Company, but he and his wife are now deceased.

In the acquirement of his education Merrill B. Rudes attended the public schools until graduated from high school on the 9th of June, 1909. He then engaged in railroad work, becoming connected with the Northwestern as an advertising agent, in which capacity he served for a year, while later he was a conductor on the road for a similar period. He afterward spent two years in the service of the Lake Shore Electric Road, at the end of which time he turned his attention to the automobile business, and for about one and a half years was a testing inspector in the Willys-Overland factory at Toledo. On the 14th of March, 1914, he opened a garage and repair shop in Genoa and in 1916 took over the Studebaker agency, which he retained for two years, afterward selling the Oakland car for a year. Mr. Rudes next became agent for the Buick and Dodge automobiles, thus continuing until 1922, when he took over the agency of the Overland and Willys-Knight cars, which he has since handled. He is also agent for the La Salle cars and conducts a complete sales and service business covering a wide radius around Genoa and employs four salesmen. He is thoroughly progressive, enterprising and reliable, and the growth of his patronage has been continuous since he entered this field.

In 1914 Mr. Rudes married Miss Della Meyer, of Clay Center, Ohio, and they are now the parents of two sons: Merrill B. Jr., who was born in 1920; and Harlow George, born in 1924. Mr. and Mrs. Rudes occupy an enviable social position and are highly esteemed by all who know them. Mrs. Rudes has taken a prominent and active part in the work of the Eastern Star, the Daughters of Rebekah and the Woman's Relief Corps. Mr. Rudes gives his political indorsement to the republican party, which he has supported since attaining his majority, putting forth every effort in his power to insure its success. For six years he was president of the city council, and his administration was characterized by a ready recognition of the needs of the city and unfaltering effort to meet municipal requirements. He has also occupied the presidency of the Exchange Club and is well known in fraternal circles as a member of the Masonic

order and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. In the last named he is a past noble grand, and with his wife he holds membership in the Rebekahs and the Eastern Star. He finds his recreation largely in golf and belongs to the Chippewa Country Club. Both Mr. and Mrs. Rudes are members of the Evangelical church, and their interests and activities center in those channels through which flow the greatest and most permanent good to the greatest number. A lifelong resident of Genoa, his record is as an open book which all may read and find therein an expression of a high type of citizenship and of most commendable qualities in business.

ORVAL CLETUS LEHMAN

Orval C. Lehman, the able and efficient cashier of the Payne State Bank, at Payne, Paulding county, was born in this place on the 6th of December, 1894, and is a son of William E. and Elnora (White) Lehman. For many years the father engaged in farming, in which he was successful, and a few years ago retired and moved into Payne, where he is now serving as postmaster. He is a republican in his political affiliation and is a member of the Masonic order.

Orval C. Lehman attended the public schools and after his graduation from high school entered the Payne State Bank as a clerk. During the thirteen years of his connection with this institution he has given to it his loyal and devoted service and has received successive promotions, having been made cashier in December, 1920. In this capacity he has rendered a type of service which has gained for him a good reputation as a capable, careful and dependable business man. This bank was organized May 11, 1912, by the Straus Brothers Company and has a capital of $50,000; surplus, $12,700; undivided profits, $7,500, and deposits, $400,000. Mr. Lehman is cashier, a director and secretary of the board.

In 1919 Mr. Lehman was united in marriage to Miss Cecelia A. Radenbaugh, of Payne, Ohio, and they are the parents of a daughter, Marjorie C., born December 19, 1922. Mrs. Lehman is a member of the Parent-Teacher Association

and is deeply interested in those things which affect the civic and moral welfare of the community.

Mr. Lehman is a veteran of the World war, for which he enlisted May 25, 1918, and was appointed a non-commissioned officer, first class, in the quartermaster corps. He was first stationed at Camp Taylor, Kentucky, and was later transferred to Beauregard, Louisiana, where he remained until the close of the war and was honorably discharged December 26, 1918. He is a member of Reubin J. Smith Post, No. 287, A. L., of which he was commander in 1926 and is now treasurer. He is past master of Flat Rock Lodge, No. 580, F. & A. M., and a Royal Arch Mason of Paulding, Ohio, chapter. He is a member of the Payne Commercial Club; was chairman of the County Bankers Association in 1929, and was a member of the executive committee of Group Two of the Ohio Bankers Association in 1929. He is an earnest member of the Christian church and lends his influence and support to those things which are of greatest value to the civic, social and moral development of the community.

HARRY J. DETZER

Harry J. Detzer, president of the Toledo Blue Print & Paper Company, Inc., has owned and conducted this business since 1915 and he also figures in connection with financial interests of the city as a director of the Ohio Savings Association and of the Metropolitan Mortgage Company. Toledo numbers him among her native sons inasmuch as his birth occurred here January 31, 1889, his parents being Joseph and Mary (Gessner) Detzer. The father was born in Toledo in 1851, while his father was a native of Germany and on coming to America settled in this city. Joseph Detzer was here reared and educated and during the major part of his active business life was connected with the Western Union Telegraph Company but is now living retired. His wife, whose birth occurred in Maumee, Lucas county, in 1851 and who represents one of the old families of this part of the state, is also living and they have reared a family of three

HARRY J. DETZER

children: Harry J.; Isabelle, the wife of Joseph Schiebel; and Hazel, the wife of Francis Laudenbach.

Harry J. Detzer pursued his education in the public and parochial schools of Toledo but put aside his textbooks when only thirteen years of age in order to earn his own living. He entered the employ of the L. Beckmann Company as a messenger boy, receiving a wage of but three dollars per week, and continued with the firm for five years. In 1907, associated with Fred Hanley, he established his present business, which was begun on a small scale in the old National Union building. The trade has steadily been developed until the Toledo Blue Print & Paper Company now controls the largest business of the kind in northwestern Ohio. Mr. Detzer has been sole proprietor since 1923 and incorporated his interests under the present name in 1928. His patronage comes from Michigan, Ohio and Indiana within a radius of sixty miles, and employment is given to ten people. His trade is steadily growing and his success is the direct outcome of efficiency, of high standards of service and of thorough reliability. Extending his efforts into financial fields he has, as previously stated, become a member of the directorate of the Ohio Savings Association and the Metropolitan Mortgage Company, both business concerns of Toledo.

On the 19th of June, 1913, in Toledo, Mr. Detzer was married to Grace E. Limmer, of this city, a daughter of Henry and Emma Limmer, the former now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Detzer reside at 1448 Kenyon drive with their two sons, Harry J. and James Edward, the former born February 23, 1918, and the latter March 12, 1924.

Mrs. Detzer is a member of the Women's Club and other women's organizations of Toledo and takes an active part in church work. Both Mr. and Mrs. Detzer adhere to the Catholic faith, being communicants of the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. During the World war period Mr. Detzer took an active part in promoting the sale of Liberty bonds. He belongs to the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, while his social nature finds expression in his membership connections with the Maumee River Yacht Club, the Toledo Yacht Club and the

Heather Downs Club. He ranks now with the representative business men of his native city, but turning back the hour-glass of time, one sees him as a youth of thirteen years struggling to gain a start in the business world and provide for his own support. He early recognized the value of perseverance, determination and unfaltering industry and those qualities have served as the foundation upon which he has built his progress and success.

HERMAN A. BAHNSEN

Herman A. Bahnsen, vice president of the R. Hagel Company, is one of Gypsum's energetic and progressive business men and is very popular throughout the community. He was born here in 1893 and is a son of Hans and Anna Bahnsen, both of whom were natives of Germany, from which country they came to the United States in 1891. They came at once to Ottawa county, Ohio, where the father first gave his attention to farming but later was employed in a lime works and for the past ten years has been identified with the gypsum industry.

Herman A. Bahnsen received his education in the public schools of Gypsum and then worked for the United States Gypsum Company. In 1912 he came to the R. Hagel Company as a delivery man and clerk, and has been connected with this well known concern to the present time. In 1917 he became a stockholder in the enterprise and is now vice president of the company and managing buyer. The R. Hagel Company has a large and well stocked general store in Gypsum and gives free delivery service, being one of the leading and most up-to-date business establishments of this locality.

In 1917 Mr. Bahnsen was united in marriage to Miss Myrtle Fellerath, of Gypsum, and they are the parents of two children: Virginia, aged eleven years, and Marjorie, aged eight years, both of whom are attending school.

The republican party receives Mr. Bahnsen's political support and he is a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Port Clinton Yacht Club and the Catawba Beach

Yacht Club. He attends and gives his support to the Lutheran church, is a man of high civic ideals and has never been lacking in his support of those things which make for the wellbeing of the community.

JUSTIN GUY BALLOU, M. D.

Thorough scientific training and keen powers of discernment well qualified Dr. Justin Guy Ballou for the practice of medicine and surgery, which has constituted his life work, and for eleven years his professional activities have been centered in Oak Harbor. He was born in Stanford, Lincoln county, Kentucky, in 1882, of which state his parents, Joseph and Susan E. Ballou, were also natives. The father, a minister of the Christian church, has passed away, and the mother is also deceased.

In the acquirement of an education Dr. Ballou attended the Stanford Male Academy, after which he matriculated in the Toledo Medical College, completing his course in the University of Illinois, which conferred upon him the degree of M. D. in 1905. Beginning his career as a physician and surgeon in Graytown, Ohio, he remained there until 1918, when he enlisted in the United States army and was sent to Fort Riley, Kansas, where he was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps. In July, 1918, he opened an office in Oak Harbor, winning a large practice as a result of his knowledge and skill and his devotion to the duties of his profession.

On May 21, 1907, Dr. Ballou was married in Knoxville, Tennessee, to Miss Winifred Annette Beck, of Stanford, Kentucky, by whom he has a son, Justin Guy, Jr., a pupil in the public schools of Oak Harbor.

The Doctor gives his political support to the republican party and is affiliated with the Methodist church of Oak Harbor. A thirty-second degree Mason, he is connected with the York and Scottish Rites and the Shrine and is also an Elk. He belongs to the Exchange Club, and both he and Mrs. Ballou are members of the Catawba Cliffs Country Club. She is likewise identified with the Woman's Club of

Toledo, the local chapter of the Eastern Star, and adheres to the Presbyterian faith. Dr. Ballou's professional standing is indicated by the fact that he has been called to the presidency of the Ottawa County Medical Society, which office he is now filling. He is also a member of the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

CHARLES T. LA COST, Sr.

Long identified with public affairs, Charles T. La Cost, Sr., filled important offices in that connection but business matters now claim his attention and as a lumberman he has won a notable measure of success. He has industrial interests in several cities of Ohio but maintains his headquarters in Genoa, where he has made his home for a period of nine years, materially influencing its progress along commercial lines. He was born in 1867 in Defiance county, Ohio, of which his parents, Francis and Mary (Biglow) La Cost, were also natives, and in the paternal line is of French descent. His father enlisted in the Union army and served throughout the Civil war. The mother was of English lineage, and her father became a captain in the British army.

Charles T. La Cost, Sr., supplemented his public school training by attendance at Oberlin College and was graduated with the class of 1890, receiving the A. B. degree. He then located in Bryan, Ohio, and for three years was clerk in a law office. His first public office was that of deputy county recorder, in which capacity he acted for two years, and afterward was a deputy in the probate judge's office for three years. From 1898 to 1915 inclusive, a period of seventeen years, he was postmaster of Bryan. He was first chosen for the office by President McKinley, was twice reappointed by President McKinley, and received his next appointment from President Taft, discharging his duties with the thoroughness and fidelity that have characterized his work throughout life. In 1916 he removed to New Lexington, Ohio, and for four years was secretary-treasurer of a mining company. Mr. La Cost allied his interests with those of Genoa in 1920 and has since engaged in the lumber business, constantly broad-

ening the scope of his activities until he is now numbered among the foremost lumbermen of this part of the country. He is secretary-treasurer of The Powers Lumber & Supply Company of Genoa; of The Elmore Lumber Company of Elmore, Ohio; The Price Lumber and Manufacturing Company of Fremont, Ohio; The East North Street Lumber Company of Fostoria, Ohio; and The La Cost-Powers Company of Toledo. In matters pertaining to the lumber industry he is exceptionally well informed, and his business associates rely upon his judgment and integrity.

In 1890 Mr. La Cost was married in Oberlin, Ohio, to Miss Grace D. Wilcox, a native of Lorain county, this state, and a daughter of Lucien H. and Zilpha (Rugg) Wilcox, both of English ancestry. Her father, a lake captain, has passed away, and the mother is also deceased. Mr. and Mrs. La Cost have a son, C. Tracy, who married Alice Powers and resides in Toledo; and two daughters, Bertha, who is living with her parents in Genoa; and Sylvia, the wife of George A. Greenbaum, of New Lexington, Ohio.

Mr. La Cost's identification with military affairs covers three years of service in the Ohio National Guard. He is a prominent Mason and acted as secretary of the Masonic council at Bryan until he transferred his residence to New Lexington. A stalwart republican, he has never wavered in his allegiance to the party, and he is a member of the Congregational church. Enterprising, forceful and efficient, Mr. La Cost has established an enviable record as a business man, and his worth as a citizen has been thoroughly demonstrated.

ARTHUR EDSON KIRK

Arthur Edson Kirk, a highly esteemed citizen of Ottawa county who since 1905 has given his attention largely to fruit and dairy farming near Port Clinton, was born November 7, 1869, on a farm north of Lacarne, Ohio, a son of Artebanes and Thirza Kingham (Hall) Kirk, the former born at Brick Meeting House, Maryland, July 5, 1831, and the latter at Springfield, Ohio, January 26, 1835. The earliest known ancestor in the paternal line settled in East Nottingham,

Chester county, Pennsylvania, about 1712, being a member of the early Penn colony, and was of Scotch-Irish lineage. In the year 1833 a colony of Kirks and Knights removed from Maryland and Pennsylvania to Lorain county, Ohio, settling near the lake, where they remained for about two years. Grandfather Knight had left a farm in Maryland, where the soil was poor, in order to find better land but found conditions in Lorain county similar to those that he had left behind. Hearing of the rich, deep soil in Sandusky, now Ottawa county, he came to this section with his family and his son-in-law, John Kirk, together with Roger Kirk. They established homes at Port Clinton and finally removed to Erie township in 1835. Both the Roger and John Kirk farms are now a part of the Erie proving grounds, under supervision of the ordnance department of the United States government.

Artebanes Kirk was the youngest member of the colony that came westward from Maryland, being carried on horseback all the way to Ohio. Horseback riding was the usual mode of travel in those days for both the young and old of both sexes, for the automobiles of that period were the heavy wagons with a board across the box or a splint-bottom chair in the wagon for the aged or the feeble. The corduroy roads of that day would not permit of travel at the rate of forty miles per hour. The Kirk-Knight colony consisted of Immer and Esther Knight with their seven daughters, three sons, son-in-law and their little grandson, Artebanes Kirk. Of the daughters, Naomi became the wife of Andrew Gamble; Belinda married John Kirk; Hannah married Abraham Bell; Clarissa married Levi Loomis; Esther became the wife of Cyrus Moore; Lydia married the Rev. James Kingham; and Lucinda married Theodore J. Kirk. Immer Knight married Eliza Marion, and Nathan married Mary Lockwood. William Kirk Knight was married three times, first wedding Susan Kirk, then Anna Kleinhans, while his third wife was Emily Marion.

The mother of Arthur E. Kirk was a daughter of Thomas and Ann (Kingham) Hall, both of whom were natives of England, the father being from Berkshire and the mother from Oxfordshire. They became residents of Springfield,

Ohio, in 1833 and were married in the following year. Thomas Hall was a stock buyer, handling cattle in that early day. The Halls, together with the Rev. James Kingham, removed to Port Clinton about the year 1836, making the trip with ox teams and wagons, and it required two weeks to cover the distance between Springfield and Port Clinton, Ohio.

Thus from pioneer times the ancestors of Arthur E. Kirk have been closely connected with the development and upbuilding of this section of the state. He was reared on the old home farm and acquired a common school education in Erie township, Ottawa county, while later he spent two years as a student in the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware. With youth behind him, he turned his attention to general merchandising at Lakeside, Ohio, where he continued in business from 1895 until 1904. He also spent a year in a store at Toledo and then returned to the home farm in Erie township in the spring of 1905, residing thereon until 1918, when the United States government purchased the property for part of the Erie proving grounds. At that time Mr. Kirk bought his present home east of Port Clinton and has since devoted his attention largely to fruit raising and dairying. He has a well improved property, equipped for the conduct of his particular line of business, and has met with gratifying success in his undertakings. In April, 1902, he was appointed receiver for the Lakeside Company during its financial difficulties.

On the 28th of October, 1896, Mr. Kirk was married in Lakeside to Miss Jennie Wonnell, who passed away November 3, 1897, and two years later, on December 26, 1899, at Weston, Ohio, he married Amy Brackney, who was born in St. Johns, Ohio, March 16, 1868. Her father, Wilson Brackney, a native of this state, was born in 1831 and died in 1911. His wife, Hetty (Allen) Brackney, was born in 1838 and passed away in 1880. She traced her ancestry back to at least a dozen people who came over in the Mayflower, and the lines of relationship also touch the families of Captain Miles Standish, Ethan Allen, Moses Cleaveland and Dr. Silas Allen, the last named a surgeon in the Revolutionary war. The children of Mr. Kirk are Arthur Clifton, a son of the

first marriage, who married Thereva Meachem and resides at Lacarne, Ohio. They have one daughter, Betty Jane. Wilson Artebanes Kirk, living on the farm east of Port Clinton, married Novelle Schwartz and has one child, Marjorie Ellen. Edward Brackney, living on the home farm with his father, married Lorena Miller. Robert William, the youngest of the family, is attending the Ohio State University at Columbus.

The military experience of Mr. Kirk covers service in Company K of the Ohio National Guard from 1892 until 1894 and included active duty during the miners' strike in 1893. Politically he is a republican and for nine years he was a member of the board of education. He has membership in the Knights of Pythias lodge, of which he was chancellor commander in 1898, and in the Grange, of which he was master from 1915 until 1918. He and his wife hold membership in the Methodist church, and she belongs to the Rural Round Table, the Farm Women's Club and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Mr. and Mrs. Kirk are widely known in this section of the state, and they have a circle of friends almost coextensive with the circle of their acquaintance.

GEORGE ARTHUR BOON, M. D.

Dr. George Arthur Boon, a capable and successful practicing physician of Ottawa county, located at Oak Harbor, was born in Montreal, Canada, in 1899 and is indebted to its public school system for the early educational advantages which he enjoyed. Following his graduation from high school as a member of the class of 1914, he began preparation for his professional career as a medical student at McGill University in his native city and was graduated therefrom in June, 1923. For a year thereafter he served as an interne in the Montreal General Hospital, which enabled him to put his theoretical knowledge to the practical test, and he gained thereby broad and valuable experience. He also filled a similar position in the Toledo General Hospital, with which he was connected for a year, and on the 1st of

August, 1926, he came to Oak Harbor, where he opened an office on Water street, and has since engaged in general practice. He also frequently handles hospital cases and at all times he is most conscientious and faithful in the discharge of his professional duties. That he may make his services of the greatest benefit to his fellowmen he keeps in close touch with the advanced thought and research work of the profession and holds membership in the Ottawa County and Ohio State Medical Societies and the American Medical Association.

In February, 1926, Dr. Boon was married to Miss Lelia Sperling, and they have one son, Carl Sperling, who was born August 2, 1927. The Doctor has attained high rank in Masonic circles, having membership in the blue lodge, No. 475, F. & A. M.; Chapter No. 162, R. A. M.; the Council, R. & S. M., of Oak Harbor; and the Commandery, K. T., of Fremont, and he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite at Toledo. He is also appreciative of the social amenities of life and holds membership in the Lions Club and the Port Clinton Yacht Club, while Mrs. Boon is prominent in social and literary circles. They have gained a wide acquaintance during their residence in Oak Harbor and now have many friends here.

LESTER W. HUDSON

Lester W. Hudson, engaged in the coal and feed business in Genoa, was born in Sandusky county, Ohio, in 1890 and is a son of J. L. Hudson, who in early life followed the occupation of farming but in 1893 came to Genoa, where he established the feed store that is now being carried on by his son. At that date there was no elevator between Genoa and the lake, and his business met a commercial want in the community. He was actively associated with the enterprise throughout his remaining days, his death occurring in 1921. Fraternally he was connected with the Knights of the Maccabees and in all of life's relations he measured up to high standards. His widow, who in her maidenhood was Miss Fanny Sam, still makes her home in Genoa. Their family

numbered the following named: Roy, who is a resident of Toledo; Mrs. Blanche Bowland, of Elyria, Ohio; Mrs. Grace Casey, of Jackson, Michigan; and Erma, residing in Genoa.

The other member of the family, Lester W. Hudson, was but three years of age when his parents removed to this city, where he has since remained, so that he had the advantages of the public school system here, and when he had completed his high school course he began working with his father in the feed and coal business. In 1920 he took charge of the store and has since been manager thereof. During the intervening period he has built up a substantial business as a dealer in both feed and coal, and he maintains his yards on the New York Central tracks, which furnish easy shipping facilities, and he has all modern machinery for unloading the cars. Moreover, he makes all fuel deliveries by truck, and his business equipment makes his enterprise one of the foremost of the kind in this part of the county. He is likewise a stockholder in the Genoa Building & Loan Association and is a thoroughgoing business man whose laudable ambition, unfaltering energy and close application have constituted the foundation for his present day success.

Mr. Hudson is most pleasantly situated in his home life. In 1909 he wedded Miss Mary Bahnsen, of Genoa, and they have a daughter, Helen, who was born in 1915. Mr. and Mrs. Hudson hold membership in the Disciples church and are actively interested in its work. They are well known in social circles of the city and are esteemed by many friends who appreciate their many sterling traits of character. In his political views Mr. Hudson is a democrat and manifests an active interest in local affairs, his aid and support being at all times given to those projects which tend to promote the public welfare and advance the general good.

HARRY E. YOUNG

As a representative of journalistic interests in northwestern Ohio, Harry E. Young is widely known and as the publisher of the Genoa Gazette is giving to the community a paper of wide interest and value, for as a publisher he holds

to high standards and has a ready recognition of what the public wants. Back of his present activities is a wide experience in the advertising business and in the newspaper field.

Ohio claims Mr. Young as a native son, his birth having occurred in Leipsic, June 13, 1896. His father, O. E. Young, was also born in Leipsic, where his parents settled soon after the Civil war, the grandfather there engaging in the drug business. In early manhood O. E. Young entered the railway mail service and has been continuously connected with government work of this character to the present time. His political indorsement is given to the republican party, and he is an active worker in its ranks, doing everything in his power to promote its success and insure the adoption of its principles. Fraternally he is identified with the Masonic order. He married Miss Della R. Scott, and they are the parents of a son, Harry E., and two daughters: Helen A., now living in Detroit, Michigan; and Catherine M., of Toledo.

At the usual age Harry E. Young became a public school pupil and when his course of study had encompassed the high school period he entered the Ohio State University, in which he pursued a course in commerce and journalism, winning the Bachelor of Science degree in 1921. After leaving school he became advertising manager for the Gebot Baking Company of Baltimore, Maryland, there remaining until late in the fall of that year, when he became connected with the Scripps-Howard newspaper syndicate, with which he was associated until 1925, when he purchased the Genoa Gazette from the firm of Schooler & Day. He has since been the owner and editor of the paper, which is now housed in a building that he erected in 1926. The Gazette is published weekly on Fridays and has a circulation of approximately eight hundred copies. In addition Mr. Young also does commercial printing, and his business in this department is of a substantial character. In all of his newspaper work he is ably assisted by his wife, the labors of the one ably supplementing and rounding out the efforts of the other, and they have made the Gazette popular with its patrons. The plant is thoroughly modern in its equipment, so that the paper presents a most attractive appearance from a mechanical stand-

point, while its news interests are widely acknowledged by the reading public. Since 1925 Mrs. Young has been very active in the business as associate editor and in fact has complete charge of the business end of the paper.

It was in September, 1917, that Mr. Young married Miss Ethel L. Trott, of Leipsic, Ohio, and they have one child, Mary Jane, born in 1920. Mr. and Mrs. Young are members of the Parent-Teacher Association of Genoa, and they attend the Christian church here but are affiliated with the Third Presbyterian church of Toledo. Mrs. Young belongs to the Outlook Club of Genoa and is well known and active in church and social circles. Mr. Young has membership in the Exchange Club and also in the Genoa lodge of Masons. There is an interesting military chapter in his life record. He was appointed to the officers training school of the field artillery, with which he remained until honorably discharged November 25, 1919. He is now a member of the American Legion Post at Genoa and thus maintains pleasant relations with the khaki clad boys of 1917-18. While in politics he adheres to republican principles, he casts an independent ballot at local elections, voting for men and measures rather than party interests. He finds his recreation largely in horseback riding but allows nothing to interfere with business and is holding to high standards in newspaper publication and as a member of the National Editorial Association.

GEORGE WALTER MILLARD

George W. Millard, whose life has been the expression of those high standards of manhood and citizenship which it is the province of the bar to inculcate and protect, has for more than a third of a century engaged in law practice in Toledo and since passing the novitiate period of his professional career has occupied a high and enviable position in professional circles. He was born in this city December 24, 1872, a son of the Hon. Irwin I. and Mary Catherine (Keller) Millard. His father, a distinguished lawyer and jurist, was born in Richland county, Ohio, December 9, 1838, and was in his seventieth year when his death occurred in Toledo on the

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24th of December, 1907. The ancestry of the family is traced back to Thomas Millard, who left Birmingham, England, in 1681, making the voyage to America in one of the ships of the fleet that brought William Penn to this country. For several generations Philadelphia remained the home of the Millards, the American progenitor having aided in establishing that city. Judge Millard was a grandson of the Rev. Thomas and Hannah Millard, the former a Methodist minister who entered upon missionary work in Ohio in pioneer times and took up a government claim in Crawford county, this state, he and his wife being laid to rest in the family burying ground on that plot of land. Their son, Joseph Millard, learned the miller's trade and for a number of years operated a flour mill at Lodi, Ohio. He married Molly Immel and both he and his wife were laid to rest in Crawford county, his death occurring in 1857.

Their family numbered three sons, of whom Judge Millard was the youngest. After attending the public schools of Wayne county, Ohio, he studied for three years in the Fredericksburg Academy and at the same time taught a portion of each year. On the 11th of August, 1861, he joined the Union army as a member of Company I of the Fifteenth Ohio Volunteer Infantry, serving under Colonel Moses Dickey with the Army of the Ohio until on the order of the regimental surgeon he was discharged on account of physical disability in 1862. It was some time before he recovered his health, and when he did he began teaching at Weilersville, Ohio. With his removal to Toledo in 1863 he secured a clerkship in the recorder's office and later served for one year as deputy recorder. He next became bookkeeper for Alonzo Goddard, consignee of the Erie Railroad line of steamboats and the Miami & Erie Canal line in Toledo. Attracted by the legal profession, however, he began reading law in the office of Bissell & Gorrill of Toledo, with whom he remained until the spring of 1867, when he was admitted to the bar and was taken into partnership by his former preceptors. It was not long before he had gained distinction as an able lawyer, showing notable skill and precision in the handling of cases, while much important litigation was entrusted to his care up to the time when he retired from private practice to become

probate judge, having been elected to that office by a very large majority in the fall of 1891. For twelve years he remained upon the bench and his service was characterized in the memorial service of the Bar Association following his death in these words: "Judge Millard as probate judge was always courteous and attentive and to those seeking advice or counsel with reference to estates or other matters in his court he was always kind and sympathetic and ready to advise. Not only was he an impartial and careful adviser, counsellor and friend, but as a judge required to pass on important controversies and questions of law and fact, he showed conspicuous ability. While on the bench he was called upon to decide many important matters of law involving new and close questions. His opinions in such and in fact all cases calling for statement of reasons from the bench were models of judicial clearness and reasoning. It was very rare that any decision of Judge Millard was reversed. It is safe to say that no man in Lucas county ever retired from the probate bench more universally esteemed than Irwin I. Millard. The regard of this community for his memory was shown by the universal expression of sorrow at his death and the great outpouring of people at his funeral."

On the 12th of March, 1863, Judge Millard was married to Mary Catherine Keller, of Weilersville, Ohio, a daughter of George and Susannah (Meyers) Keller. She was born in Crawford county, Ohio, in September, 1843, and died June 25, 1894. The seven children of this marriage were: Irwin G.; George W.; Edna G., the wife of John Ehni; Clara M.; Fred J.; Ralph B.; and Edith B. The daughter Clara was the first woman admitted to the bar in northwestern Ohio and she held the position of deputy in the office of the probate judge for twenty years.

The second son of the family, George W. Millard, determined to follow in his father's professional footsteps. He had pursued his early education in the public schools of Toledo and he became a law student in the office of King & Tracy, well known attorneys of this city, winning admission to the bar in 1894. He was also associated with his father from 1901 until 1907, becoming his active partner in 1904 under the firm name of Millard & Millard, an association that was

maintained until the father's demise. Since that time George W. Millard has practiced independently and is accounted one of the outstanding members of the profession in Toledo. His knowledge of the law is comprehensive and exact, his analysis of a case thoroughly accurate and his deductions at all times sound and logical. While his devotion to his clients' interests is proverbial, he never forgets that he owes a still higher allegiance to the majesty of the law.

Mr. Millard was married in 1896 to Miss Grace L. Beatty, a daughter of William and Mary (Droullard) Beatty, representatives of old and well known Toledo families. Mr. and Mrs. Millard have a son and two daughters: Irwin William, now of Chicago, who married Margaret Jordan and has one child, Sarah Margaret; Georgia G., at home; and Mary Catherine, who is the wife of Willard I. Webb, Jr., and has two children, Willard I., (III) and Thomas Irwin, the family home being at 3147 Parkwood avenue, Toledo.

Mr. Millard gives his political support to the republican party and keeps thoroughly informed on the vital questions and issues of the day. He has membership with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is a past chancellor commander of Anthony Wayne Lodge, No. 141, K. P., and in religious faith is an Episcopalian. He finds diversion from onerous professional duties in horticulture, floriculture and agriculture, taking keen delight in watching the growth of crops, fruit and flowers upon his country place. His interest chiefly, however, centers in his professional activities and he is a valued member of both the Toledo and Ohio State Bar Associations.

ANDREW C. LAUSTEN

Andrew C. Lausten, the efficient and capable assistant cashier of the American Bank at Port Clinton, Ottawa county, has spent his entire life in this locality, where he is widely known and greatly respected. He was born in Port Clinton in 1888 and is a son of Louis and Carolina (Thompson) Lausten, who spent their last years in Port Clinton. Here Andrew C. Lausten received his education in the pub-

lic schools, after which he took a commercial course in the Spencerian Business College of Cleveland, Ohio. He was employed for three years at the Port Clinton depot of the Lake Shore Railroad, and was then traffic manager for the American Gypsum Company for three years. In 1912 he came to the American Bank of Port Clinton as assistant cashier, which position he has served to the present time, and is also a stockholder in this institution.

In 1909 Mr. Lausten was united in marriage to Miss Freada Lorenzen, of Port Clinton, and they are the parents of two children: Janet, aged twelve years, and Robert, aged five years. Mrs. Lausten is active in church, club and social affairs of Port Clinton and is extremely popular.

Mr. Lausten is a member of the Masonic order, in which he has received the chapter degrees, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Lions Club, the Catawba Cliffs Country Club, the Catawba Cliffs Beach Club, the Colonial Club and the Port Clinton Yacht Club. He attends and supports the Lutheran church, and also lends his influence to every measure advanced for the betterment of the community and the promotion of its highest interests. He is an able banker and a worthy citizen and is greatly respected throughout the community in which he lives.

JAMES VINCENT EASLEY

James V. Easley is a prominent attorney of Toledo and a patriotic American who has proved his devotion to his state and the nation by his twenty-three years in military service. He was born in the village of Worthington, Pennsylvania, May 24, 1886, the son of Vincent and Mary (McGuire) Easley, the father being an agriculturist in the vicinity of that village.

In 1902 James V. Easley came to Toledo, and after several years in grammar school entered the old Central high school, completing his course in 1909. While in high school he was very active in its affairs, being a member of the track team, business manager of The Almanac, treasurer of The Webster Literary Society, and manager of the Stationer's

Desk, a school supply store. He then studied law at Ohio State University, graduating therefrom in 1913, and was admitted to the bar of Ohio in June of the same year. He immediately began his career as a lawyer in Toledo, where he has since followed his profession with the exception of a period of three years active military service on the Mexican border and during the World war.

In 1906 Mr. Easley enlisted as a private in the Sixth Ohio Infantry, and remained a member thereof until August 5, 1917, when that organization became the One Hundred and Forty-seventh Infantry, a unit of the Thirty-seventh Division, during which time he held all grades up to and including second lieutenant. In September, 1917, he was promoted to the grade of first lieutenant, which grade he held until discharged. With his division, Lieutenant Easley sailed for France, June 21, 1918, and was assigned to duty in the Baccarrat sector. He remained with his regiment until September 20, 1918, when he was assigned to special duty with the provost marshal general's department, and made an assistant provost marshal. These duties he discharged with characteristic fidelity and efficiency, making a fine record as an officer, and was honorably discharged at Camp Sherman, Ohio, July 31, 1919. On the 1st of December, 1919, he was commissioned a captain of infantry in the Officers' Reserve Corps of the United States Army, which grade he holds at the time of this writing. After his discharge from active military service Captain Easley returned to Toledo and resumed his practice. He has an office on the fourth floor of the Valentine building and the extent of his clientele denotes the confidence reposed in his legal acumen.

On the 24th of December, 1917, he was married to Miss Gladys Armstrong, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Armstrong, a prominent pioneer family of East Toledo. Mr. Armstrong was well known in railroad circles during his lifetime, having been for many years freight agent for the Hocking Valley Railroad at Toledo.

Captain Easley is a member of the Roosevelt Club of Toledo and a strong republican. He is a member of Harry E. Kern Post, No. 93, American Legion, which post he has served as adjutant. He assisted in the organization of the

National, State and Toledo Chapters, Reserve Officers Association, serving the last named organization as president for four years. He is also an ex-president of Toledo Chapter, No. 51, National Sojourners; a member of Robinson Locke Lodge, No. 659, F. & A. M.; and the Toledo Bar Association.

While engaged in the practice of the law, Captain Easley has given of his time and energy to movements in the public interest. He was during the years 1924, 1925 and 1926, county chairman of the Citizens Military Training Camp campaigns and in 1927 assistant chairman. Much of his leisure is spent out of doors and gardening affords him the necessary relaxation and diversion. He has fulfilled the responsibilities and obligations of life to the best of his ability, and stands deservedly high in the esteem of his fellowmen.

HARRY DAVID TIEDTKE

Harry David Tiedtke, a self-made Toledo business man of pronounced ability, who held service to his church and humanity as the supreme ideal of his life, passed away July 27, 1924, when fifty-four years of age. Ever recognizing the fact that advancement goes hand in hand with energy, determination and systematic effort, he reached the goal of his ambition through the employment of these agencies, becoming the head of one of Toledo's large printing establishments as president and manager of the Harry Tiedtke Printing Company. He was a native of Wood county, Ohio, born November 12, 1869. His parents, August and Justine (Kieper) Tiedtke, emigrated to the United States in early life, settling in Lake township, Wood county, Ohio, where the father improved and developed a farm, and he continued to engage in agricultural pursuits until called to his final rest. His sons, Charles A., now deceased, and Ernest, became prominent in mercantile circles of Toledo, operating one of the largest department stores in this section of the country.

Harry D. Tiedtke was still but a youngster when he accompanied his parents on their removal to Toledo, where he maintained his residence and his business establishment throughout the remainder of his life. He completed his edu-

cation in the Central high school of Toledo and in his early 'teens entered upon an apprenticeship to the printer's trade in the employ of the B. F. Wade Company. At the age of twenty, through the exercise of industry and economy, he had accumulated sufficient capital to enable him to found a business of his own, becoming the proprietor of a well equipped printing establishment, located at the corner of Jackson and Superior streets. The enterprise was originally carried on under the firm style of Van Wormer & Tiedtke but subsequently Mr. Tiedtke purchased Mr. Van Wormer's interest and became sole owner of the Harry Tiedtke Printing Company, continuing at the head of the business to the time of his death. Not long before his passing he had completed a modern printing plant at Erie and Jackson streets to which the business was removed in December, 1923. His expert knowledge of the trade enabled him to turn out work of the highest grade and to conduct his plant without loss of time, labor or material. He built up an extensive and successful business and also made profitable investments in real estate, being the owner of valuable property in the downtown section of Toledo.

While a printer by trade, the greatest energies of Mr. Tiedtke's life were spent in Sunday school and philanthropic work and he was regarded, next to the late Marion Lawrence, as the "best known and loved churchman in Toledo." When thirteen years of age he united with the First Westminster Presbyterian church, which he actively supported in all branches of its work for the forty-two years thereafter to his death. He served as an elder in that church for more than a quarter of a century and was superintendent of the Sunday school for twenty-three years. As a result of his active interest in Sunday school work he became allied with and a close friend of the late Marion Lawrence, consulting general secretary of the International Council of Religious Education. He was devoted to Mr. Lawrence and gave him material financial assistance in his work. He took great interest in all children with whom he came in contact, not only in his own Sunday school but all over the city. While away on vacation trips it was his custom to send cards to hundreds of these boys and girls. For many years he was

identified with the managing board of the Toledo Sunday School Association and backed that organization financially in all campaigns. An example of his interest in this work as well as his characteristic modesty was shown at the time of the World war when he purchased Bibles and had them presented to Toledo soldiers in the name of the Toledo Sunday School Association. His interest in the welfare of children caused him to give his wholehearted support to child labor laws. Mr. Tiedtke did not confine his religious and humanitarian work to Toledo alone but was a supporter of the World's Sunday School Association and had planned to attend its convention in Glasgow, but ill health prevented. Moreover, he was a supporter of the International Council of Religious Education, the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago and the American Sunday School Union, as well as the Toledo Council of Churches. He was one of the organizers of the Toledo City Mission and was a member of its board of trustees. He also was on the board of the Central Gospel Mission. For four years he held the position of treasurer of the Joint Sunday School Campaign fund which supported the Toledo Weekday Bible School during the period of its greatest expansion. He was an able Bible student and contributed generously to the libraries of young ministers. Activities for the betterment of social and living conditions in which he participated also included twenty years of work in what is now the Ohio Neighborhood Institute at East Broadway and Vinal street in association with the late John E. Gunckel. He was likewise active in founding the Toledo Newsboys Association, while for forty years he was a member and supporter of the Toledo Young Men's Christian Association. For several years he was a member of the church extension committee of the Toledo Presbytery. As a citizen he was especially interested in the work of the Anti-Saloon League. Older residents of Toledo will remember Mr. Tiedtke as a member of the Orlo Male Quartet, composed of George B. Cole, Andrew and Otto Weis and Harry D. Tiedtke, a famous musical organization in its day. At his passing the Toledo Times said: "His death is mourned by hosts of friends whom he made through his friendliness, generosity and charitableness, which found outlets in church, Sunday school and com-

munity work. Mr. Tiedtke was known to be well-to-do and had taken a considerable part in real estate development in the business district, where he was reputed to have owned a large amount of property. His wealth could be much greater but for the fact that he gave many thousands of dollars to religious and charitable institutions with which he was connected. Such gifts as these are reputed to have constituted the greater portion of his wealth."

In 1904 Mr. Tiedtke married Miss Cora Belle Wade, whose parents were Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Wade, the former of whom was engaged in the printing business in Toledo but is now deceased. Mrs. Tiedtke passed away in October, 1917, leaving a daughter, Justine Margaret, who is a graduate of the Scott high school, attended Wooster College and finished at Castle School in Tarrytown-on-the-Hudson. Mr. Tiedtke was also survived by his two brothers, Ernest and Charles A., and his two sisters; Miss Katharine Tiedtke, who resides at 2358 Scottwood avenue in Toledo; and Bertha, who is Mrs. George A. Spross, also of Toledo. Another sister, Henrietta, married Thomas D. Edmonds of Toledo and died some years ago.

EARL E. NEAL

Following the occupation to which he was reared, Earl E. Neal has been an earnest, systematic worker, and one of the fine farms of Ottawa county is the visible result of what he has accomplished. He was born on Catawba island in 1881, a son of Clark and Emily Neal, and represents a pioneer family of Ohio. The father was born in 1831 and followed agricultural pursuits, also earning a livelihood by fishing. The mother's natal year was 1839 and she was the first white child born on Catawba island. Her son, Edwin C. Neal, has a productive farm on the island. Frank G. Neal, another son, is engaged in farming near Geneva, Ohio, and the daughter, Mrs. Jennie Byrne, is a resident of Cleveland.

Earl E. Neal was reared on the homestead and supplemented his public school education by a year's attendance at the Ohio Northern University in Ada. He assisted his father

in tilling the soil and has made farming his life work. His place is located near Danbury and comprises forty-seven acres of fertile land, improved with substantial buildings and good fences. Mr. Neal has a peach orchard of thirty acres and the remainder of his land is devoted to the growing of grain. He is an expert agriculturist who knows the value of scientific methods and his crops are marketed through the Island and Gypsum Fruit Company and the Farmers Cooperative Company of Gypsum.

In 1904 Mr. Neal married Miss Lena J. Pearce, also a native of Catawba island, and they became the parents of a daughter, Ora Mae, who was born in 1908 and died in 1923. Mr. Neal takes a keen interest in politics and is chairman of the republican county committee. He is one of the progressive orchardists of his district and a useful and influential citizen whose life has been upright and purposeful.

CLARE B. TEFFT

Although young in years, Clare B. Tefft has become nationally known as a traffic expert and is doing work of much importance and value as Transportation Commissioner of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He was born in Pompeii, Gratiot county, Michigan, August 12, 1891, and was the only child of Burton S. and Margaret (Lytle) Tefft. His remote ancestors in the paternal line were Welshmen but the American progenitor of the Tefft family migrated to this country from Glasgow, Scotland. He settled in Providence, Rhode Island, and engaged in the manufacture of cotton. Later the family engaged in business in Elmira, New York. His descendants were pioneer lumbermen of Michigan and operated on an extensive scale. Burton S. Tefft was born in Garfield, Saginaw county, Michigan, April 3, 1868, and always resided in that state. He achieved prominence as an educator and was County School Commissioner at the time of his death, which occurred on the 1st of October, 1918, in the city of Saginaw. His wife was of Irish lineage and a member of one of the old families of New York state. She

was born in Vernon, Michigan, October 1, 1867, and passed away April 23, 1917, at the age of fifty years.

The country schools of Saginaw county afforded Clare B. Tefft his early educational advantages and following his graduation from Arthur Hill high school at Saginaw he continued his studies in the Ferris Institute at Big Rapids, Michigan, from which he was graduated in 1912. His interest in the drama led him to enter the theatrical profession, in which he had the benefit of training under William Owen, a Shakespearian actor of national repute. Mr. Tefft played with stock companies which filled engagements in the principal cities of the United States and received many favorable press notices. Tiring of the career of a Thespian, he abandoned the stage and entered the employ of the Pere Marquette Railroad Company. He was also in the service of the Michigan Central Railroad Company, filling various positions in the offices of these roads, and acquired a detailed knowledge of transportation affairs. Owing to his comprehensive understanding of traffic law he was chosen Traffic Commissioner of the Lansing (Michigan) Chamber of Commerce in 1924 and acted in that capacity for two and one-half years. On tendering his resignation he accepted a similar position with the Kalamazoo (Michigan) Chamber of Commerce, with which he was connected until February, 1928, and has since that time been Transportation Commissioner of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. He has been a tireless and effective worker in behalf of the organization, which was fortunate in securing the services of a man of his experience and ability.

Mr. Tefft was married December 26, 1919, in Grand Ledge, Michigan, to Miss Ona M. Watson, a native of that state and a daughter of Charles and Lola (Burrier) Watson, the former now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Tefft reside at 2630 Powhatan parkway and his office is located on the fifth floor of the Richardson building.

During the World war Mr. Tefft was at the front with the Three Hundred and Tenth Trench Mortar Battery and served until the signing of the armistice, when he was honorably discharged. He is a member of Toledo Post, No. 335, of the American Legion, the Toledo Rotary Club, the Toledo

Transportation Club and the Lansing Traffic Club. His Masonic affiliations are with Saginaw Valley Lodge, No. 154, F. & A. M.; Joppa Chapter, No. 63, R. A. M., of Saginaw; St. Bernard Commandery, No. 16, K. T., of Saginaw; Bay City Consistory, A. A. S. R.; El Khurafeh Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Saginaw; and Merlin Grotto, M. O. V. P. E. R., of which he is a charter member. Being well versed in the law pertaining to traffic and allied subjects, he is an influential member of the board of directors of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress and has done much constructive work with the aid of the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington, D. C. Mr. Tefft is also a director of the National Industrial Traffic League, president of the Ohio State Industrial Traffic League, chairman of the membership committee of the Great Lakes Regional Advisory Board and a member of the transportation committee of the Ohio State Chamber of Commerce. For diversion and relaxation he turns to fishing and other outdoor sports. Impelled by high ideals of service, he has directed his talents and energies into those channels through which flows the greatest and most permanent good to the largest number, and his career has been conspicuously useful.

WILLIAM E. IRWIN

Among the well known officials of the National Bank of Port Clinton is numbered William E. Irwin, a financier of broad experience and a man of proven ability and worth. He was born in Peru, Indiana, in 1878 and when a child of two came to Ohio with his parents, Clarence R. and Elizabeth B. Irwin, who settled in Huron county. The father also entered the field of finance and was elected vice president of the North Fairfield Savings Bank. Mr. and Mrs. Irwin have two children, the other being Ralph Edward, who resides in Columbus, Ohio.

William E. Irwin was graduated from the North Fairfield high school in 1896 and obtained his start in life as a bookkeeper in the North Fairfield Savings Bank, where he spent three years. In 1899 his ability won for him the post

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of assistant cashier in the Central Savings Bank of Toledo, with which he was connected until 1909, when he went to Sylvania, Ohio, as cashier of the Farmers & Merchants Bank. For seven years he remained with the institution, materially promoting its interests, and in 1916 was made treasurer of the H. M. & R. Shoe Company of Toledo. He successfully managed the financial end of the business until 1925, when he went south and was in Florida for two years. Early in 1927 he was elected cashier of the National Bank of Port Clinton and has since acted in that capacity, rendering to the institution the services of an expert.

Established in 1872 as a private bank by Samuel A. Magruder, this is the oldest financial institution in Port Clinton. It was operated under the name of the Magruder Commercial & Savings Bank for many years and on January 3, 1924, was merged with the First National Bank, which had been opened in 1902. A reorganization was effected March 17, 1927, and the institution has since been known as the National Bank of Port Clinton. S. A. Magruder, who was long identified with its management, passed away in 1928, and Howard S. Magruder, who was associated with his brother in the conduct of the bank for many years, is now retired. The present officers are: Charles H. Graves, president; J. A. Hoffinger, vice president; W. E. Irwin, cashier; and D. L. Mackey and R. W. Wheaton, assistant cashiers. The board of directors is composed of Harry T. Belknap, Harmon Brokate, Harry R. Englebeck, Charles H. Graves, James A. Hoffinger, William E. Irwin, Julius E. Johnson, Gertrude Korndorfer, Harry Stensen and William H. Yeasting. The bank is a member of the Federal Reserve System and pays four per cent interest on time deposits. Its statement on March 27, 1929, showed a capital stock of one hundred thousand dollars; a surplus fund of twenty-five thousand dollars; undivided profits of thirty-six thousand, six hundred and forty-one dollars; deposits amounting to one million, three hundred and sixty-five thousand, three hundred and five dollars, and total resources of one million, seven hundred and four thousand, six hundred and twenty-eight dollars.

In 1904 Mr. Irwin was united in marriage to Miss Edna A. Hoskin, a native of Toledo and a daughter of Richard T.

and Emily (Clough) Hoskin. The father was born in London, Ontario, and the mother was a native of England. They established their home in Toledo in 1864 and Richard T. Hoskin became one of the city's leading contractors.

Mr. Irwin is president of the Kiwanis Club of Port Clinton, a member of the Catawba Cliffs Golf and Beach Club, the Port Clinton Yacht Club, the Ohio and American Bankers Associations, and is a thirty-second degree Mason, and a member of Zenobia Temple. His hobbies are music and art. At intervals throughout the year he attends schools in Columbus, especially arranged for bankers, in order to enlighten himself on farming, and keeps in close touch with all matters of public moment. His advice and assistance are freely given to patrons of the institution which he represents and the prosperous condition of the affairs of the National Bank of Port Clinton has largely resulted from his judicious management. Mr. Irwin has been loyal to each trust reposed in him and faithful to every duty and stands deservedly high in public esteem.

CHARLES ROSS BAREFOOT

Charles Ross Barefoot, whose ancestors were leading actors in events that have shaped the history of this nation, has inherited their fine mental and moral qualities, and his talents, natural and acquired, have won for him an enviable position in legal circles of Toledo. A native of Bedford county, Pennsylvania, he was born February 17, 1884, and is a son of Ross and Kathryn (Vickroy) Barefoot. The family was founded in this country by Thomas Barefoot, an Englishman, who settled in the colony of Massachusetts in 1635. Thomas Sayer, another ancestor, was one of the founders of Southampton, Massachusetts, and fought the Indians as a scout in the Pequot war of 1637. Charles R. Barefoot is the sixth in line of descent from George Ross, who was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, and is also a lineal descendant of the following patriots who served with distinction in the Revolutionary war: Dr. Benjamin Barefoot; Major James Ross; Lieutenant Daniel Mickey; Wil-

liam Slick, sergeant of the Maryland flying camp; Thomas Vickroy, whose monument bears an inscription stating that he was an officer in the Continental army; William Clark, a captain of rangers on the frontier; Angus McDonald, a corporal in Thompson's battalion of riflemen; and William Augustus Atlee, who was a commissary general and became first associate justice of the supreme court of Pennsylvania. He was a son of William Atlee, Sr., secretary to Lord Howe. Jane Alcock, the mother of William Atlee, Sr., was a lady in waiting to Queen Elizabeth and a niece of William Pitt, the earl of Chatham. Charles R. Barefoot is also a great-great-grandson of Hugh Vickroy, who served in the French and Indian war and was captain of a vessel which was sunk at sea, all on board the ship being drowned.

Ross Barefoot was born in Bedford county, Pennsylvania, in August, 1858, and was there reared and educated. In his native county he followed the occupation of farming and also engaged in merchandising. He has attained the age of seventy-one years and is now living retired in Johnstown, Pennsylvania. In politics he is a republican, and his life is governed by the teachings of the Evangelical church. His wife was born in Bedford county in 1859 and died February 22, 1884, when a young woman of twenty-five. She had become the mother of two children: Julia, who is Mrs. B. F. Dumm, of St. Paul, Minnesota; and Charles Ross.

The son obtained his early instruction in his native county and was next a pupil in a preparatory school of Philadelphia. Afterward he attended De Paul University of Chicago, and his education was completed in the Ohio Northern University, from which he received the degree of LL. B. in 1916. Following his admission to the bar he located in Lewistown, Montana, but remained there only a year, and has since engaged in general practice in Toledo. In his presentation of a case he is always well fortified by a clear understanding of the legal principles applicable thereto and has won many verdicts favorable to the interests of his clients. He has been intrusted with much important litigation, and his business in the courts is constantly increasing.

Mr. Barefoot was married January 11, 1917, in Chicago, Illinois, to Miss Kathryn Thomas, a native of Indiana and a

daughter of Jonathan and Sarah (Rinard) Thomas. The family is of English origin and was founded in America during the cavalier period. The Turners, who came to this country on the Mayflower, were among the paternal ancestors of Mrs. Barefoot, who is also related to the Bruces through her father. Her great-grandfather, Jacob Thomas, was born in Virginia in 1777 and migrated to Ohio during territorial days. In the maternal line Mrs. Barefoot traces her lineage to Yeats Conwell, an Englishman, who settled in Delaware in 1669. Among his descendants were Lieutenant Colonel John Conwell of Revolutionary fame, and John Conwell, Jr., who fought in the War of 1812. The Thomas family was represented in the Revolutionary war by Jacob Thomas, Sr., who served with the Virginia cavalry. William Rinard, the grandfather of Mrs. Barefoot, was born in North Carolina. Afterward he became a pioneer settler of Indiana and served in the Civil war. Jonathan Thomas was a prosperous merchant and engaged in business in Montpelier, Indiana. Mrs. Barefoot was graduated from the nurses' training school of Hope Hospital and previous to her marriage followed the profession of nursing. Mr. and Mrs. Barefoot have become the parents of two children: Betty, who was born in Toledo, November 29, 1918; and Charles Ross, Jr., born February 17, 1920, in this city.

The family home is at No. 3853 Hazelhurst avenue, and Mr. Barefoot's office is located on the eighth floor of the Spitzer building. During the Spanish war period he enlisted in the United States Marines and was sent to Cuba, Porto Rico, Honduras and the republic of Colombia. He served on the Brooklyn under the late Admiral Coghlan and was also on the warships Dixie and Panther. He is a trustee of the Evangelical church and teaches the Bible class. Mrs. Barefoot also takes an active part in the work of the church. Mr. Barefoot is genealogist of Anthony Wayne Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution; a past president of the chapter, and is first vice president of the Ohio State Society, Sons of the American Revolution. He is a member of the Marine Corps League, the United Spanish War Veterans, the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar Associations, the Lawyers Club of Toledo and the Delta Theta Phi college fraternity.

He represents the Eleventh ward (West Toledo) in the city council. He closely adheres to the unwritten ethics of his profession and measures up to high standards in every relation of life.

JOSEPH DAVID SULLIVAN, D. D. S.

That Dr. Joseph David Sullivan has chosen a line of endeavor well suited to his talents is indicated by his success in the dental profession, which he has followed continuously in Toledo for a quarter of a century, becoming widely and favorably known in that connection. He is a native of the city and was born April 9, 1879, a son of John and Helen Sullivan. At the age of eighteen his father came alone to Toledo, doing various kinds of work here until he entered the service of a railroad, and was employed along that line for a considerable period. He rose to the position of foreman which he filled when the air line was constructed from Toledo to Elkhart, Indiana. After the completion of the road he engaged in the grocery business in Toledo for forty years, and was long a recognized leader of the trade in this city. In public affairs he manifested a deep and helpful interest and while a resident of Toledo was called to the office of police commissioner, which he filled with ability for one term. He responded to death's summons in 1899, and Mrs. Sullivan passed away in 1907. In their family were ten children, of whom four died in infancy, and five of the surviving members of the family live in Toledo, while one resides in Detroit.

Dr. Sullivan acquired his public school education in Toledo and when a young man of nineteen enlisted for service in the Spanish-American war, joining Troop E of the First Ohio Cavalry. For nearly a year he was engaged in active military duty, receiving his honorable discharge at Columbus, Ohio. Afterward he enrolled as a student at Georgetown University, from which he won the degree of D. D. S. on the 10th of June, 1903, on the termination of a three years' course, and for eighteen months was connected with the dental department of the government hospital in Washington, D. C. In 1905 he returned to Toledo, opening an office on

Broadway, where he was located for twelve years. In order to perfect himself in his profession Dr. Sullivan took up the study of oral surgery in New York city and has since devoted his attention to that branch of dentistry, maintaining a well appointed office in the Medical-Dental building. As a specialist in extractions, the treatment of jaw fractures and other lines of oral surgery, he has developed skill of a high order and in addition to caring for his extensive practice is dental surgeon for the Toledo Hospital, the Women's & Children's Hospital, St. Vincent's Hospital and Mercy Hospital.

On the 11th of June, 1905, Dr. Sullivan was married in Toledo to Miss Hazel M. France, a native of the city and a daughter of Christian F. and Sarah France. Dr. and Mrs. Sullivan have one daughter, Sally Ellen. They adhere to the Catholic faith and Mrs. Sullivan is a worker in the church.

The Doctor is unbiased in his political views, casting his ballot for those men and measures that he deems will best conserve the public weal. He is identified with the Knights of Columbus, the Kiwanis Club, the Toledo Club, the Sylvania Golf Club, the American Society of Oral Surgeons & Exodontists, the Toledo Dental Society, of which he was president in 1913-14, and Ohio State Dental Society and the American Dental Association. His interest centers in his profession, of which he is a progressive and able exponent, while his personal attributes are such as inspire esteem and friendship. His residence is at Burnley Wood, River road.

LOUIS G. HILL, D. D. S.

Among the competent and prosperous dentists of Toledo, one of the most prominent is Dr. Louis G. Hill, who is located at 456 West Delaware avenue, and he commands a flattering practice. He is of Revolutionary ancestry and traces direct relationship to Daniel Boone. Born in Cheyenne, Wyoming, April 29, 1896, he is a son of James Francis and Bertha (Brewer) Hill, the latter of whom is a native of Springfield, Illinois. His paternal grandparents were James and Mary A. T. (Watts) Hill, the latter a relative of Daniel Boone. James Hill was a son of Captain William Hill, who served in

the War of 1812. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Hill, was the daughter of a Revolutionary soldier. The Doctor's grandfather was born in Marietta, Ohio, in 1819 and died in Norwalk, this state, January 12, 1916, at the advanced age of ninety-six years and two months. He was a gold miner, being one of those who crossed the plains to California during the great gold rush of 1849. He fought in the Union army during the Civil war, holding the rank of first lieutenant; was a republican in politics and a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife, who was a native of Center, Wisconsin, died in Norwalk, Ohio. James F. Hill was born in Darlington, Wisconsin, and now lives in Brewster, Ohio, where he is superintendent of motive power for the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railroad. He is a republican and has held some local offices.

Louis G. Hill received a good public school education, graduating from the Massillon and Navarre high schools, and then entered Ohio State University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1919. He prepared for his life work in the dental school of his alma mater, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery in 1923. He served two years as interne at Toledo Hospital, after which he engaged in the practice of dentistry in Maumee, Ohio, about a year. Since then he has been connected with the Toledo Clinic, in which institution he is doing splendid work.

On March 30, 1923, in Toledo, Dr. Hill was united in marriage to Miss Ruth Calderwood, who was born in Columbus, this state, and is a daughter of Barton and Etta Calderwood. Her father is deceased, and her mother lives in Columbus. Mrs. Hill was graduated from the North high school in Columbus, and from Ohio State University with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1923. She is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and belongs to the Order of the Eastern Star. Dr. and Mrs. Hill have one son, James Barton, born June 30, 1926.

The Doctor supports the republican party, and his religious connection is with the Collingwood Presbyterian church. He belongs to Clinton Lodge, No. 47, F. & A. M., of Massillon, Ohio; Omicron Kappa, Upsilon Sigma and Pi Kappa

Alpha college fraternities; the Toledo Dental Society, the Ohio State Dental Society, the American Dental Association and the Reserve Officers Association, holding the rank of first lieutenant as a dentist. He is a great lover of outdoor sports, fishing being one of his favorite forms of recreation. During his college days he was prominent in athletics, being state champion in high and low hurdles and national champion in the four hundred forty yard hurdles. He is genial and companionable, is extremely popular and has a host of loyal friends.

REV. CHESTER BIRCH

Among the distinguished citizens of Toledo is numbered the Rev. Chester Birch, a gentleman of broad culture and a lecturer of national repute. He was born in Kansas, Illinois, August 23, 1865, a son of Samuel and Eliza (Smith) Birch. The grandfather, William Birch, was a native of England and a member of an old and prominent family of that country. He was a prosperous merchant and shaped his conduct by the teachings of the Church of England. His son, Samuel Birch, was born in Shrewsbury, England, and came to the United States when a young man. For many years he engaged in merchandising in Kansas, Illinois, where he passed away in 1908 at the venerable age of eighty years. He was a member of the Episcopal church and exercised his right of franchise in support of the candidates of the democratic party. His wife was a native of Edgar county, Illinois, and attained the age of seventy-six years, passing away in the town of Kansas in 1913. She was a daughter of James and Artie (Edwards) Smith, who were natives of Tennessee but resided in Illinois for many years, and the father served in the Indian war. He was a farmer and raised fine horses and stock. In religious faith he was a Baptist, and his political allegiance was given to the democratic party. He passed away in Illinois, and his wife's demise occurred in Iowa.

The Rev. Chester Birch was graduated from the high school of Kansas, Illinois, and completed his education under

private teachers, studying music, the classics, theology and dramatic art. He was ordained a minister of the Presbyterian church but has never engaged in pastoral work, devoting much of his time to home missionary service, a field in which he has been active for more than a quarter of a century. A gifted orator, he has lectured for over thirty-five years, choosing for his themes religious and popular subjects, and is one of the featured entertainers of the Lyceum and Chautauqua. He is a member of the Toledo Presbytery and has delivered many addresses in churches in various parts of the country. Dr. Birch is affiliated with the Exchange Club, for which he often fills engagements, speaking for the national office, which is located in Toledo. His words are the result of deep thought and the deliberate weighing of values, and the course of public opinion has been swerved by the clarity of his logic and the flame of his eloquence. In 1917 his services as a public speaker were enlisted by the war work council and during that time he was also amusement director.

In June, 1899, Rev. Birch was married in Kansas City, Missouri, to Miss Lura M. Welty, a native of Pennsylvania and a daughter of the Rev. J. B. Welty, now deceased. Her father was a Presbyterian minister, and his last pastorate was at Kansas City. His ancestors aided in winning American independence and his wife was also descended from Revolutionary stock. Mrs. Birch was graduated from Lindenwood College of St. Louis and previous to her marriage taught for a year in a Missouri college. Dr. and Mrs. Birch have a daughter, Bettie, who was born May 1, 1908, and studied journalism and dramatic art at Lindenwood College, which awarded her the A. B. degree in 1928. Since her graduation she has appeared in various cities under the auspices of the Redpath, Horner, Lyceum and Chautaqua associations, putting on her original comedy.

Rev. Birch is a republican of independent views and stands for principle and clean politics rather than for the blind following of party leaders. His wife is also a Presbyterian and a devout church member. She is president of the Missionary Society of Collingwood and is one of the Daughters of the American Revolution. In April, 1916, Rev. Birch was chosen superintendent of the city mission of Toledo,

which was established in 1899 and ranks with the best institutions of this type. As a young man he was an athlete and has never lost his interest in outdoor sports. Deeply interested in music, he became an accomplished cornetist and has a fine instrument, which was presented to him by the citizens of St. Louis. While in that city he joined the old United States Arsenal Band, of which he was a member for three years, and during the '80s was assistant secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of St. Louis. For thirty-five years he has been a student of criminology, becoming well known as a finger print expert, and has aided in the identification of criminals but has never been an officer of the law, refusing all offers of that character. An ardent lover of nature, he is never so happy as when pursuing some inquiry into her secrets. Throughout life Dr. Birch has been an earnest, untiring student, and it is a dull mind that does not respond to the touch of his thought, the play of his fancy and the force of his logic. Nothing is foreign to him that concerns his fellows or touches the world's progress and improvement, and his influence for good has been strong and far-reaching.

HENRY M. RYAN

On the roster of public officials in Toledo appears the name of Henry M. Ryan, who has been in the service of the city for ten years, performing his duties in a manner that has won for him strong commendation, and he also has to his credit an enviable military record. He was born on the island of St. Kitts, in the British West Indies, July 4, 1891, a son of Andrew and Mary (De Freitas) Ryan, also natives of that island, where the father spent his entire life. The grandfather, Henry M. Ryan, was born in Tipperary, Ireland, and died in the British West Indies. For a number of years he served as a captain in the British army and afterward engaged in merchandising. His wife was a native of Madrid, Spain, and passed away in the British West Indies. Their son, Andrew Ryan, was the owner of a large sugar plantation and was also a prosperous merchant. In 1894 he

responded to death's summons, and his wife's demise occurred in New York city on the 11th of November, 1925. She was a daughter of John De Freitas, a native of Spain.

Henry M. Ryan pursued his early studies in New Brunswick, Canada, and later matriculated in St. Joseph's College, which he attended for two years. On completing his education he returned to his home and afterward made a tour of Central and South America. Locating in New York city, he entered the service of the Maxwell-Briscoe Motor Company and was connected with its auditing department for five years. He then came to Toledo and was employed for four years in the advertising department of the Willys-Overland Company. On the expiration of that period he went to the Mexican border with Troop D of the First Regiment of Ohio Cavalry and was there stationed for about fourteen months. During the World war he spent six months at Montgomery, Alabama, with the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Regiment of United States Field Artillery and was later transferred to Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indiana. He became sergeant of his company and remained at Fort Benjamin Harrison until honorably discharged. He was then connected with the Toledo water department for nine years. On the 1st of January, 1928, he was appointed commissioner of the treasury by Mayor Jackson and discharges his duties with characteristic efficiency and fidelity, amply justifying the confidence reposed in his ability.

On September 1, 1919, Mr. Ryan was married in Toledo to Miss Alice Mullen, a daughter of John and Johanna Mullen. Mrs. Ryan was born August 4, 1883, in this city and attended its parochial and public schools. Mr. and Mrs. Ryan have four children: Richard C., who was born May 15, 1920; Henry M. Jr., born March 29, 1922; John Robert, born January 22, 1925; and Marjorie Alice, born November 28, 1928.

The family are affiliated with St. Thomas Roman Catholic church, and Mr. Ryan is a Knight of Columbus. In politics he is a stanch democrat and takes the interest of a good citizen in public affairs. While in the British West Indies he joined the defense forces of St. Christopher and when in Canada he served in the Seventy-fourth Regiment of New Bruns-

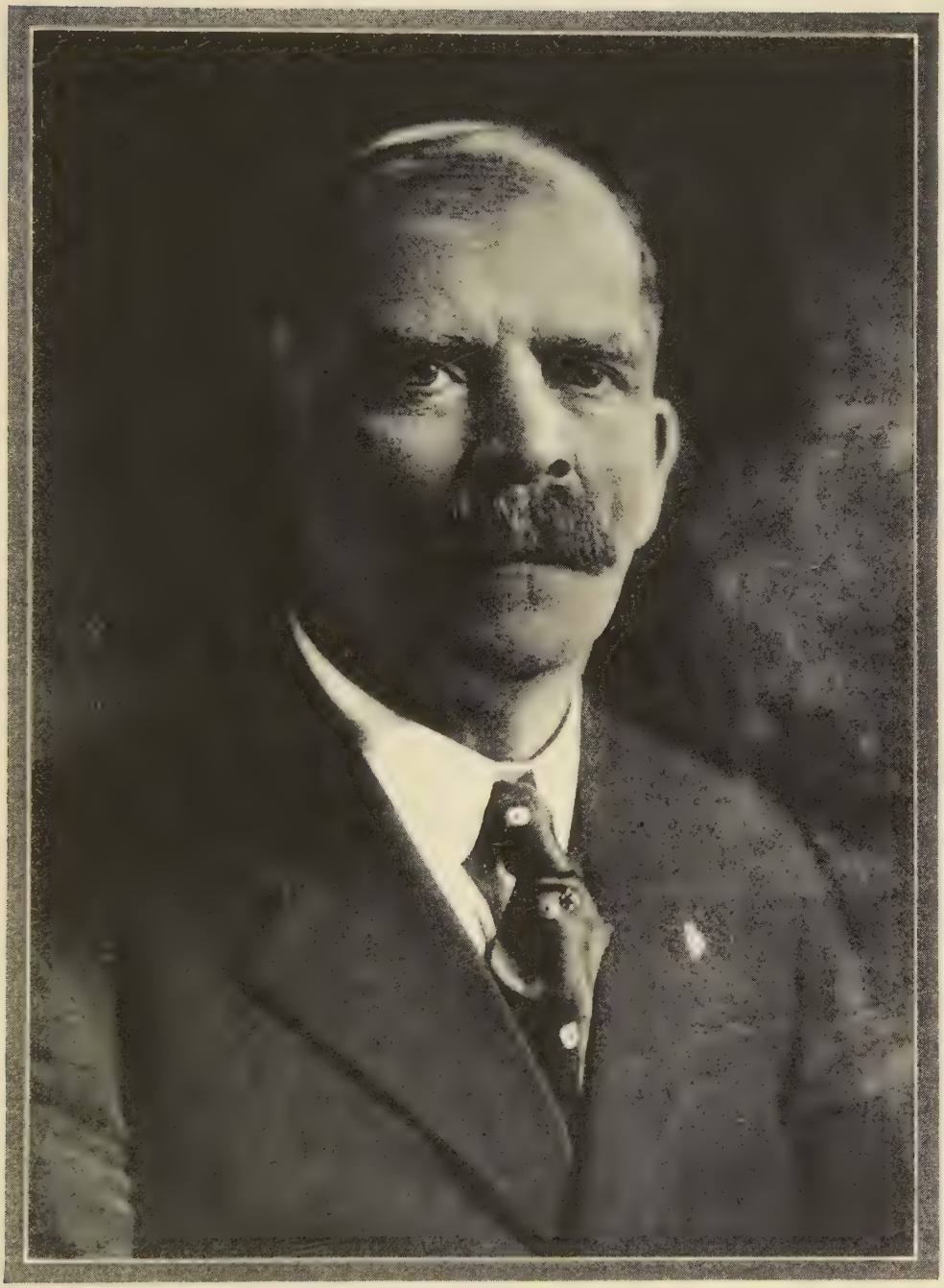
wick Rangers. He is an expert marksman, belonging to the National Rifle Association, and he has organized a number of rifle clubs. Mr. Ryan is a young man of pleasing personality, stable in character and faithful to every relation in life, and the respect accorded him is well merited.

JAMES C. BURT

James C. Burt, president of the Burt Foundry Company of Toledo, was born in Buffalo, New York, on the 19th of March, 1864, a son of Calvin and Sarah (Curry) Burt. His paternal grandparents were James Calvin and Mary (Syrenus) Burt, both of whom were natives and lifelong residents of Oswego, New York, where the grandfather followed the vocation of a carpenter and builder. Calvin Burt, who was a sailor through all of his active years, was born at Oswego, New York, and died in northern Michigan. He voted the republican ticket and was a member of the Baptist church. His wife was born at Killrush, County Clare, Ireland, and was a daughter of James Curry, also a native of Ireland. Both father and daughter died in Toledo.

James C. Burt received his education in the public schools of Toledo, Ohio, and Buffalo, New York, after which he went to work in the foundry department of the American Sewing Machine Company of Toledo. After a few years with that concern, he was employed in various other foundries until 1910, when he and John Holzscheiter organized the City Foundry Company on Hastings street, Toledo, which was later incorporated and of which Mr. Burt was president until 1917, when he sold his interest in the business. He then became associated with C. O. Miniger and they organized the Burt Foundry Company at Bush street and the Wheeling & Lake Erie Railroad tracks, Toledo, and of this concern Mr. Burt has been president to the present time. The company is engaged in the making of light and medium grey iron castings and has been very successful, building up a large and prosperous business.

On July 7, 1889, in Toledo, Mr. Burt was united in marriage to Miss Ada Cavashere, who was born and reared in



JAMES C. BURT

Toledo and is a daughter of Alex and Marie (Herkimer) Cavashere. Her father was born in Canada and died in Toledo. His wife, who was born in New York state and died in Toledo, was a distant relative of General Herkimer, of Revolutionary fame, after whom the county and city of Herkimer, New York, were named. Mrs. Burt was educated in the Franklin school, East side, Toledo, and is a member of the Baptist church and the Order of the Eastern Star. To Mr. and Mrs. Burt have been born four children, namely: Reeve Calvin, who is superintendent of the Burt Foundry Company; Mrs. Clifford Robinson, of Toledo; James Elsworth, who died in childhood; and one who died at birth.

Mr. Burt is a democrat in politics. He belongs to the Masonic order in all of its branches, including the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite and the Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, and he is also identified with the Knights of Pythias, the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Fifty Year Old Club of Toledo, the Foremen's Club, and the American Foundrymen's Association. He loves to fish as a recreation. He is deeply interested in the welfare and prosperity of Toledo and stands high among this community's public-spirited citizens.

FRED H. KRENTZFELD

Fred H. Krentzfeld, who is contributing in a very definite degree to the successful operation of the United States Gypsum Company in the capacity of office manager, has shown himself capable and efficient in every position which he has filled. He was born in Port Clinton, Ohio, in 1896 and is the adopted son of Jacob and Hannah Krentzfeld, the former of whom is retired from active pursuits, and they reside in Port Clinton. Fred H. Krentzfeld attended the public schools, graduating from the Port Clinton high school in 1913, after which he took a commercial course in the Sandusky Business College, graduating in 1915. For two and a half years he was employed in civil service work at Camp Perry, and then entered the employ of the United States Gypsum Company as a typist billing clerk. Later he was trans-

ferred to the Plaster Company of Virginia, in the office of which concern he remained two years, when he was sent back to the United States Gypsum Company as office manager, which position he has held since December, 1926.

In December, 1924, Mr. Krentzfeld was united in marriage to Miss Caroline Dubbert, of Port Clinton, and they are the parents of a son, Frederick, Jr., born in 1925. Mr. Krentzfeld is a strong supporter of the republican party, and he and his wife are members of the Peace Lutheran church. He is treasurer of the Polliwog Club, an organization of employes of the gypsum company. Because of his loyalty and his effective work in the interests of his company, he commands the confidence of his superior officers and is greatly esteemed by all who know him.

WARREN JOSEPH DUFFEY

Warren Joseph Duffey has continuously engaged in the practice of law since June, 1911, and, maintaining an office in Toledo, has specialized in handling real estate, mechanics' liens and building contract cases. Born in Toledo, January 24, 1886, he is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Duffey, both of whom were natives of Monroe county, Michigan, the former born December 28, 1860, and the latter on the 23d of August, 1861. The grandparents in both the paternal and maternal lines were natives of Ireland and on coming to the United States settled in Monroe county, Michigan, at an early day.

In his youth Warren J. Duffey attended the Toledo public schools and afterward became a student in St. John's College of his native city, from which he was graduated in 1907 with the Bachelor of Arts degree, while the following year his alma mater conferred upon him the Master of Arts degree. Determining to make the practice of law his life work, he began studying with that end in view in the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor and there was graduated with the LL. B. degree in June, 1911. In the same month he was admitted to practice in Ohio and in Michigan and took up the active work of the profession in association with O. S. Brum-

back, and subsequently became a partner of Henry A. Conlin. Following the death of Mr. Conlin on the 22d of December, 1913, Mr. Duffey remained alone in practice until 1918, when he was joined by George C. Bryce, a third partner being added when in 1925 his brother, Lawrence E. Duffey, who had graduated from the Ohio State University at Columbus, was admitted to a partnership under the firm style of Duffey, Bryce & Duffey. Well versed in all departments of the law and remaining a close student of legal principles, Warren J. Duffey has nevertheless specialized in handling legal matters pertaining to real estate, mechanics' liens and building contracts. He is also attorney for The Lumbermen's Mortgage Company of Toledo and The Lumbermen's Savings Association and since August, 1915, he has been director as well as attorney for The Mutual Savings Association of Toledo.

On the 28th of August, 1913, Mr. Duffey was married to Miss Marie L. Sawkins, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Sawkins of Toledo. Her father was born in Camden, New Jersey, April 22, 1857, and died in Toledo, March 15, 1924. Her grandfather in the paternal line was born in New Haven, Connecticut, the son of English parents, and served as a volunteer in the Civil war. George W. Sawkins was united in marriage to Miss Maria Murphy, who was born in Albion, near Watertown, New York, April 20, 1860. Her parents were natives of Ireland but came to the new world in early life settled in New York and were married at Syracuse. Mrs. Sawkins is now residing in Toledo and is the mother of four children: Rev. Arthur J., who is now pastor of the Immaculate Conception church of Toledo; Marie L.; John A., deceased; and Irene C., the wife of John W. Hackett, a Toledo attorney. Mr. and Mrs. Duffey have six children: Marie Ruth, Warren Francis, Natalie Grace, Richard Comerford, Cecile Joan and John Jerome, all of whom reside with their parents at 2541 Parkwood avenue in Toledo.

Mr. Duffey is a Catholic in religious faith and for years attended St. Francis de Sales cathedral but is now a communicant of the Cathedral chapel on Collingwood avenue. He votes with the democratic party and for years was a

member of the Lucas county democratic central committee, while for the past four years he has been chairman of that committee. He has taken active part in politics and during 1913 and 1914 served as a member of the general assembly from Lucas county, while in 1917 and 1918 he represented the fourth ward of Toledo in the city council. During his legislative service he was the author of the new mechanics' lien law and also of the statute regulating the sale and traffic of cocaine, morphine and other habit-forming drugs, thus bringing Ohio legislation upon the subject into harmony with more recent federal enactments. He likewise supported the passage of the reform judiciary bill, and while a member of the house of representatives was chairman of its committee on ways and means and a member of the committees on codes, courts and procedure, manufactures and commerce and public utilities. Thus he was closely associated with the history of Ohio not only as a lawyer but as a lawmaker. His professional connections are with the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar Associations. His civic interest is indicated in his membership in the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, and he is a member of The Toledo Club, Knights of Columbus, Inverness Golf Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Alumni Association of the University of Michigan.

REV. R. LINCOLN LONG, D. D.

Imbued with firm faith and sound doctrine, R. Lincoln Long, D. D., is an able expounder of Gospel truth and for ten years has served as pastor of the Collingwood Presbyterian church in Toledo. A native of Kentucky, he was born near Henderson, April 15, 1888, a son of Adolph Rudolph and Savina (Osman) Long. After the father's death, the mother removed to Freeport, Illinois, and it was there that Dr. Long received his common school education. Afterward he attended Winona Academy, next becoming a student at Lake Forest University, and his education was completed in the McCormick Theological Seminary at Chicago. In recognition of his scholarly attainments, Washington and Jefferson

University conferred upon him the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1921.

His first pastorate was at Paulding, Ohio, where he resided from 1915 until 1918, and then came to Toledo. He has since had charge of the Collingwood Presbyterian church, one of the three largest Protestant churches in the city. An eloquent pulpit orator, Dr. Long sends his message straight to the hearts of his hearers and is also efficient in governing the affairs of the church, whose material and financial strength have been materially augmented under his wise guidance.

Dr. Long was married September 2, 1915, to Miss Reva B. Henry, of Camp Point, Illinois, and they have a family of three children: Dorothy Martha, Robert Lincoln and Caroline Gertrude. The Doctor is a thirty-second degree Mason, a Knight Templar and Shriner, a Kiwanian, and is also a member of the Torch Club, the Izaak Walton League and the Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Museum of Art and has manifested his civic spirit by effective public service. Dr. Long is a broad-gauged man, who possesses the true spirit of Christianity, and his influence upon the life of the city has been of the highest order.

ALPHONSE F. MILLER

Alphonse F. Miller, secretary of the A. F. Miller Tractor Company and the Contractors Machinery Company of Toledo, has attained a foremost position in his line of business in this section of the state. He was born in Toledo, October 15, 1895, a son of Joseph J. and Louisa (Miller) Miller, natives of Frenchtown, Michigan, the former born in 1859 and the latter on the 25th of October, 1860. The father was long in the service of the Lake Shore Railroad Company, becoming chief car inspector at the Union station in Toledo. His life was terminated September 19, 1906, at the age of forty-six, and his wife passed away in Toledo, June 9, 1915, when fifty-four years of age. Her father, Anthony Miller, a native of Baden, Germany, became a prosperous farmer of Michigan,

removing to Toledo after his retirement; he remained a resident of the city until his demise.

A. F. Miller pursued his studies in the Academy of St. Francis de Sales and the Davis Business College. His first position was that of clerk in the office of the Toledo Terminal Railroad Company, and a year later he entered the service of the Hocking Valley Railroad Company, with which he spent two years. On the expiration of that period he became an employe of the McManus-Troup Company, a Toledo firm which he represented in the capacity of a traveling salesman for three years, afterward acting as manager of the sales department. During the World war he was connected with the construction division of the United States army and as a member of the civilian field staff was entrusted with the task of purchasing material for the construction of camps in the Cleveland and Toledo area. While engaged in that work he was stationed at the Erie proving grounds at Port Clinton, remaining there for a year, and after the war began the sale of construction and industrial machinery in Toledo. For eighteen months he occupied a suite of offices in the Nasby building and then removed to the Spitzer building, where he maintained his headquarters for five years. On November 1, 1926, the business was incorporated under the name of the A. F. Miller Tractor Company, distributors of caterpillar tractors for northwestern Ohio, as well as dealers in construction and industrial machinery, and an office, warehouse and service station were opened at 385 South Erie street. In May, 1928, Mr. Miller and his associates decided to divert the construction and industrial equipment lines and formed the Contractors Machinery Company, controlled by the same officers who comprise the personnel of the A. F. Miller Tractor Company. The warehouse and headquarters of the new corporation were established at 367 South Erie street, and in October, 1928, the business of both companies was transferred to the new building at 911-13 North Summit street, where it is most advantageously located. As a founder and secretary of both corporations Mr. Miller exerts a strong and beneficial influence in the control of the business, which has been thoroughly systematized, and its rapid growth is proof

of the wisdom of the policy followed by its officers, who are men of broad experience and proven ability.

In Maumee, Ohio, Mr. Miller was married September 30, 1919, to Miss Maude A. Doren, a daughter of Frank A. and Martha (Gimme) Doren, both now deceased. Mrs. Miller was born February 14, 1900, in Whitehouse, Ohio, and attended its public schools, completing her studies at Perrysburg, this state. Mr. and Mrs. Miller have a family of five children: Donald A., Ann Marie, Margaret Alice, Paul Edward and Theresa Mae.

The parents are members of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church of Maumee, and in politics Mr. Miller is non-partisan, casting his ballot for the candidates whom he considers best fitted for office. He is identified with the Knights of Columbus, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Toledo Yacht Club, the Heather Downs Country Club and the Lions Club. Starting out in the business world at an early age, Mr. Miller has steadily worked his way upward, achieving that success which is the merited reward of industry, perseverance, capability and integrity.

ODIS C. CLARK

Thoroughly equipped for his chosen vocation, Odis C. Clark has registered achievement and ably discharges the duties of superintendent of schools of Lacarne. He was born in Mount Blanchard, Hancock county, Ohio, in 1903 and graduated from high school in 1921. Afterward he received the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Adrian College of Michgan and also attended Bowling Green College of Ohio. Entering upon the active work of his profession in 1924, he was an instructor in the high school at Mount Blanchard for a year and during 1926 taught at Tiro, Ohio. In 1927 and 1928 he was engaged in teaching at Forest, Ohio, and in 1929 was made superintendent of the public schools of Lacarne. Studious by nature, he keeps in touch with the most modern ideas in regard to the education of children, and his efforts have been productive of gratifying results.

On the 11th of August, 1926, Mr. Clark married Miss Ruth H. Shilling, of Tiro, and they now have a daughter, Betty Elaine, who was born in December, 1927. Mr. Clark is a member of the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity and the district and state education associations. He is a young man of high ideals and possesses those qualities which insure success in his profession. Mrs. Clark is active in church work and in the affairs of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, also figuring prominently in the social life of Lacarne.

JOSEPH J. ACKER

Joseph Acker, conducting an undertaking establishment at 2625 Cherry street in Toledo, was born in this city, September 27, 1897, a son of Joseph L. and Mary (Pfefferle) Acker, who are also natives of this state, the mother's birth having occurred in Toledo. The parents are still living but have lost their only daughter, Mary, who died in 1918. Their surviving sons are Joseph J. and Paul M., the latter an optician of Toledo.

After attending the grammar and high schools Joseph J. Acker became a student in St. John's College of Toledo, pursuing his studies there for two years. In 1901 he started in the business world as the associate of his father and Frank J. Senn, who were operating under the firm style of Senn & Acker. The partnership was continued until 1914, when Mr. Acker took over the interests of Mr. Senn, and the business has since been conducted under the style of Joseph L. Acker & Son. In the meantime the junior partner had thoroughly acquainted himself with every phase of the business, developing a high degree of skill in this field. At a recent date the firm removed to the new home at 2625 Cherry street, remodeling the building and making it the finest establishment of its kind in Toledo. It is modern in every respect, is beautifully appointed and furnishes every facility for the comfort of the bereaved families as well as for the care of the dead. There are four service parlors, which can be used for large or small funerals, and there is a music room in the center of these four parlors. The latest designs in furniture,

carpets and draperies are to be found here, and the whole place is thoroughly artistic and in keeping with the purpose for which it is used. The father and son devote their personal attention to the conduct of the business and the former is also president of the Corn City Savings & Loan Association of Toledo. Fraternally he is connected with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Knights of Columbus.

Joseph J. Acker was married May 4, 1920, to Miss Olive J. Rekart, a native of Putnam county, Ohio, and a daughter of Joseph and Josephine Rekart, both of whom have passed away. Mr. and Mrs. Acker have three children: Mary Margaret, born February 18, 1921; Corinne, February 19, 1923; and Joanne, May 16, 1928.

Mr. Acker is well known in fraternal circles, having membership with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks, the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the Foresters of America and the Knights of Columbus, all of Toledo. Bowling is perhaps his only diversion, and he greatly enjoys the sport during the winter seasons. Both he and his father occupy an enviable position in public regard. They have a wide acquaintance in Toledo, and their business reputation is an unassailable one. They are actuated in all that they do by a spirit of progress and enterprise and are rendering to the public a service that is highly efficient and acceptable. The Acker family have long been connected with the Catholic church, giving generous support to its work, and in matters of citizenship they have ever stood for advancement and improvement.

E. DONALD DeMUTH

E. Donald DeMuth, one of the well known of the younger members of the Toledo bar who is accorded a position of prominence in legal circles, was born in Whitehouse, Lucas county, February 17, 1896, and is a son of Allen D. and Caroline (Coharis) DeMuth. The father is also a native of Whitehouse and represents an old Ohio family of French and Swiss origin. The grandfather of E. Donald DeMuth was the founder of the family in this country and first located in Pennsylvania. Later he cast his lot with the pioneer settlers

of Lucas county, Ohio, where he followed the occupation of farming for a considerable period. Allen D. DeMuth has devoted his attention to financial affairs for twenty years and is well known as the president of the Whitehouse State Savings Bank, an institution which has been a potent factor in the development of that section of the state. His wife was born in the vicinity of West Point, New York, and is descended from an old New York state family of German origin.

E. Donald DeMuth completed a course in the Waterville high school in 1911 and was graduated from the Whitehouse high school in 1913. Afterward he was employed for eight and one-half years in the trust department of the Security Savings Bank & Trust Company of Toledo and thus earned the money necessary for his higher education. While working in the bank he attended night classes at the University of Toledo and also pursued his studies in the Ohio State University. He won the degree of LL. B. in 1922 and since 1926 has been engaged in general practice in Toledo. He is city solicitor for Whitehouse and Waterville and attorney for the Whitehouse State Savings Bank and the Security Savings Bank & Trust Company of Toledo.

Mr. DeMuth was married December 5, 1917, in Whitehouse, to Miss Jane Lynn Marshall, a native of Defiance, Ohio, and a daughter of Charles E. and Catherine (Hall) Marshall. Her father, who was engaged in the stave business, has passed away. The four children of Mr. and Mrs. DeMuth, all born in Toledo, are as follows: Robert Donald, who was born December 16, 1918; Dorothy Jane, born September 29, 1920; Marion Annette, born February 3, 1922; and Joan Marie, born March 22, 1924.

The family reside at 3549 Hoyles avenue, and Mr. DeMuth's office is located on the eighth floor of the Security Bank building. When national issues are involved he votes the republican ticket but casts an independent ballot at local elections, supporting the candidate whom he considers best qualified for office. His fraternal affiliations are with the Toledo Lodge of Elks, the Whitehouse Lodge of the Knights of Pythias, and Wakeman Lodge and Fort Meigs Chapter of the Masonic order. He is a member of the Toledo and Ohio

State Bar Associations, the Highland Meadows Golf Club and the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. Mr. DeMuth closely adheres to the ethical standards of his profession and enjoys a high-class clientele.

WILLIAM D. DAVIS

Insurance interests of Toledo find an enterprising and prominent representative in William D. Davis, whose progress has been commensurate with his industry and ability. He was born in Springfield, Kentucky, April 29, 1894, and is a son of William Henry and Maggie (Brawley) Davis, who now reside in Cincinnati, Ohio. His education was acquired in the public schools of the Queen city, and in 1923 he entered the employ of the Western & Southern Life Insurance Company, with which he has since been identified. He was agent for four months, assistant superintendent for seventeen months and was then made superintendent of the Piqua, Ohio, district, which position he filled for seven months. Mr. Davis spent one year in Detroit, Michigan, going to Louisville, Kentucky, at the end of that time and remaining in that city for two and a half years. He has been stationed in Toledo since November, 1928, with headquarters in the Cherry-Summit block, and directs the activities of twenty-five agents, five assistant superintendents and a large office force. Energetic and efficient, he has greatly increased the volume of business in his territory and is one of the most capable representatives of his company, which is located in Cincinnati. The corporation is erecting a fourteen-story addition to the home office in that city and will utilize all of the space in both the old and the new structures in the conduct of its extensive business. The policies of the company are broad in coverage, while its rates are the minimum for the utmost in protection.

In 1914 Mr. Davis married Miss Elvina Smith, a daughter of Henry C. and Phoebe Smith, the former now deceased, and the latter is residing with Mr. and Mrs. Davis in Toledo. Mr. Smith devoted forty years to journalistic work and in point of continuous service was Cincinnati's oldest

newspaper man. Mr. and Mrs. Davis have two children: William H., who was born February 20, 1916; and Betty Jane, born January 11, 1922.

The family attend the Norwood Christian church, and Mrs. Davis is active in religious and charitable work. Mr. Davis is an adherent of the republican party, for he deems that its policy best conserves national progress and promotes public stability. While a resident of Louisville he was inducted into the Masonic order, and in Cincinnati he became a member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He has few outside interests, reserving his energies for the conduct of the business intrusted to his charge, and his close application and well developed powers are carrying him steadily forward in his chosen field of endeavor. Mr. Davis' residence is at 4352 Berwick avenue.

FRANK O. D. WHITE

Frank O. D. White is one of the successful life insurance agents of Toledo and throughout his commercial career has concentrated his attention upon this line of business. He was born in Wheeling, West Virginia, March 7, 1890, a son of W. T. W. and Emma Virginia (Dowler) White. The father passed away, and the mother still resides in Wheeling.

In the acquirement of an education Frank O. D. White attended public and private schools of his native city and completed his studies in the Linsly Military Academy at Wheeling. For a time he filled a position in an insurance office in that city and afterward was similarly employed in Denver, Pittsburgh and New York city. In 1917 he enlisted for service in the World war and received his preliminary training at Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia. He was commissioned a first lieutenant and assigned to the Sixtieth Regiment of United States Infantry. While in France he was with the Fifth Division and was twice wounded, first in the St. Die sector and later in the Meuse-Argonne offensive. He displayed high courage on the field of battle and received citations for gallantry under fire. Mr. White spent eighteen months overseas and in 1919 was discharged. In September

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of that year he came to Toledo as general agent of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company and in the intervening period has greatly stimulated the growth of their business in this district. He has a detailed knowledge of the business and is also endowed with the requisite initiative and executive force.

On the 29th of May, 1913, Mr. White was married to Miss A. Madelyne Schleicher, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, who has proven an ideal helpmate and companion. Mr. White is a thirty-second degree Mason and Shriner, and is identified with the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is also a member of the American Legion and the Chamber of Commerce.

RUEL THAYER BROWN

Alert, energetic and well poised, Ruel Thayer Brown has fully demonstrated his ability to cope with the strenuous conditions of modern commercial life and is successfully controlling the destiny of one of the leading insurance firms of Toledo, his native city. He was born February 23, 1901, and is a son of Alva H. and Cora (Thayer) Brown, both of English lineage. His grandfather, Tristram D. Brown, was a direct descendant of the distinguished Virginian, Richard Henry Lee, who was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. Tristram Brown (I), grandfather of Tristram D. Brown (II), was an intrepid Indian fighter and while serving in the War of 1812 was captured by a band of savages, who killed him. Tristram D. Brown enlisted in the Union army, joining the Fourteenth Regiment of Indiana Volunteers, and was wounded in the first battle of Winchester. After recovering he drilled a force of men at Elba, New York; took his company to Baltimore, Maryland, and turned it over to the Federal government. He then returned to the north and organized and drilled other companies until the close of the Civil war.

His son, Alva H. Brown, was born in Elba, New York, and received his early education in that state, completing his studies in Michigan. Early in the '90s he settled in Toledo,

Ohio, and was here engaged in manufacturing for several years but is now living retired in this city. He is a member of the Baptist church and gives his political support to the democratic party. The Thayer family was first established in New York state and has been represented in America for many generations. Mrs. Alva H. Brown was born in Toledo, January 27, 1868, a daughter of Ruel and Anna (Anderson) Thayer, who were the owners of a large farm. Both the Anderson and Thayer families were pioneer settlers of Woodville, Ohio, and the log cabin which Mr. Anderson built there is still standing. Mrs. Brown was devoted to her family and friends, and her death on the 10th of June, 1925, when she was fifty-seven years of age, occasioned deep sorrow, for her gentle, unselfish nature had made her greatly beloved. She was the mother of two children, Ruel T. and Lois, both residents of Toledo.

The son was graduated from the Waite high school in 1918, and his higher education was received in Denison University of Ohio and Columbia University of New York. After leaving school he sold insurance and in August, 1927, established a business of his own in Toledo, organizing the R. T. Brown Company, of which he has since been the president. The firm specializes in automobile insurance, but writes all forms, and represents the oldest and most reliable corporations in the field. Mr. Brown has fostered the growth of the business by deep thought and study and the maintenance of a high standard of service. He also has other interests, being vice president and a director of the Civic Mortgage Company and treasurer and a director of the Financial Securities Corporation, both Toledo concerns of high rating.

On the 6th of February, 1926, Mr. Brown was married in Port Clinton, Ohio, to Miss Gertrude Cleaver, a native of that town and a daughter of William H. and Gertrude (Maul) Cleaver, representatives of old and prominent families of that locality. Mr. and Mrs. Brown have two children: Ruel Thayer, Jr., who was born January 16, 1927; and Susan Diantha, born March 8, 1928. Mrs. Brown devotes her time to the care of her children and home and is an ideal type of womanhood.

Mr. Brown is affiliated with the Memorial Baptist church

and casts his ballot for the candidates of the democratic party. He is a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Heather Downs Country Club, the Catawba Cliffs Beach Club and Sanford Collins Lodge, No. 396, of the Masonic order. The residence of the family is at No. 3747 Elmhurst road, and Mr. Brown's office is situated on the fifth floor of the Spitzer building. He enjoys golf, tennis, hunting and other outdoor sports, but never neglects his business, and that he is a young man of exceptional enterprise and ability is shown by what he has already accomplished. He heartily endorses all projects for Toledo's growth and betterment and is highly esteemed in the city in which his life has been spent.

FREDERICK CLARK AVERILL

Well equipped for the work of his profession, Frederick Clark Averill has established an enviable reputation as an attorney and is a member of a family that has contributed materially toward the prestige of Toledo's legal fraternity. He was born in St. Louis, Missouri, December 25, 1875, a son of Henry E. and Julia M. (Dodge) Averill, and is of English lineage in the paternal line. His forbears came to this country in colonial times, settling in Connecticut, and the family was represented in the Continental army during the Revolutionary war. His father resided in Perrysburg but engaged in the practice of law in Toledo and for many years was classed with its leading attorneys.

Frederick C. Averill attended the public schools of Perrysburg and the University of Michigan, which bestowed upon him the degree of Bachelor of Science. Later he was a student at Columbia University of New York city, where he completed his education, receiving the degrees of Master of Arts and Bachelor of Laws. Since his admission to the bar of Ohio in 1901, Mr. Averill has practiced in Toledo, successfully handling much important litigation, with offices in the Nicholas building. He is well versed in the minutiae of the law, felicitous and clear in argument, and wins a large percentage of his cases.

A man of cultured tastes, Mr. Averill is thoroughly ap-

preciative of the best in literature and has long evinced a deep and helpful interest in the Way public library, which was donated to Perrysburg by the late Willard V. Way. As secretary of its board of managers and chairman of the book committee for many years, he is largely responsible for the growth of the library and the expansion of its influence. Few towns the size of Perrysburg can boast of a public institution as well equipped and efficiently conducted as the Way public library, which has greatly stimulated the development of the community along intellectual and cultural lines, thus becoming a valuable public asset. Mr. Averill spends the summer months in his attractive home at Perrysburg and is a trustee of its Presbyterian church, one of the oldest religious institutions in northwestern Ohio. He is a member of the board of education of Perrysburg, and is connected with the Sons of the American Revolution and the Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar Associations. During his extensive travels he has broadened his outlook upon life, at the same time gaining a wide acquaintance, and is endowed with those qualities which inspire strong and enduring regard.

KENTON D. KEILHOLTZ

Industry and determination have shaped the career of Kenton D. Keilholtz, a member of the firm of Southworth & Company and one of the substantial business men and public-spirited citizens of Toledo. He was born in Tiffin, Ohio, June 24, 1885, a son of Richard William and Annie (Drake) Keilholtz. The father was born in Tiffin, May 13, 1851, and was a representative of an old Ohio family of German origin. He was reared and educated in his native city and in 1892 established his home in Toledo. He was a well known manufacturer and developed a prosperous business, at the same time contributing toward the industrial progress of the city. His political allegiance was given to the democratic party, and in religious faith he was a Presbyterian. He was a good citizen and remained in Toledo until his death on the 19th of February, 1909, when he was fifty-seven years of age. His widow, who was born in Monroeville, Ohio, is of English

lineage and still resides in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Keilholtz were the parents of ten children, seven sons and three daughters, of whom six sons and a daughter survive.

Kenton D. Keilholtz, the third in order of birth, attended the old Central high school of Toledo and was graduated with the class of 1902. While in the employ of W. A. Rundell & Company he obtained an insight into the business in which he is now engaged and in 1902 accepted a more desirable position with Southworth & Company. His ready adaptability and devotion to their interests were rewarded by rapid advancement, and in 1912 he was made a member of the firm. Mr. Keilholtz has been a forceful factor in the upbuilding of the business, which consists of the receiving, storing and distributing of grain seeds and also trades in New York and local stocks. This is one of the oldest and most reliable institutions of the kind in Toledo and also one of the largest. Mr. Keilholtz has been president of the Toledo Produce Exchange three times; is a director of the Security Savings Bank & Trust Company and the Gallant Lumber & Coal Company of Toledo, all of which have been benefited by his mature judgment and earnest, systematic efforts. In 1929 Mr. Keilholtz completed the Kenton building on the corner of Monroe street and Collingwood avenue.

On the 14th of November, 1907, Mr. Keilholtz was married in Toledo to Miss Flora Conklin, a native of Tecumseh, Michigan, and a daughter of H. G. and Sally (Gage) Conklin, members of old and prominent Manchester families. Mr. and Mrs. Keilholtz have become the parents of two sons: Richard Conklin, who was born July 17, 1910; and Robert Gage, born May 25, 1912.

The family reside at No. 2005 Potomac drive but they spend the summer months at Clear Lake, and Mr. Keilholtz has an office in the Second National Bank building of Toledo. For three years he was chairman of the board of trustees of the Collingwood Presbyterian church, of which he has long been a zealous member, and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He is a charter member of the Barton Smith Lodge of Masons and holds the thirty-second degree in the order. He also belongs to the local lodge of Elks, the Chicago Board of Trade, the Chicago Curb Exchange, the

Buffalo Corn Exchange, the Toledo Produce Exchange, the Toledo Club and the Inverness Golf Club. For fifteen years he has been a trustee of the Toledo Young Men's Christian Association, to which he recently donated the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars for the purchase of the Boys' camp at Stoney Lake. Mr. Keilholtz has demonstrated his humanitarian spirit by practical benevolent work and possesses those qualities which men most admire.

WAYNE R. PEPPERS

Wayne R. Peppers, engaged in the practice of law in Toledo, which numbers him among its young and prominent attorneys, was born in Dennison, Ohio, January 15, 1894, and is a son of John and Bird (Romick) Peppers. His grandfather, Thomas Peppers, a native of Delaware, Ohio, was a pilot of river boats and spent the latter part of his life in retirement at Steubenville, Ohio. He was a member of the Presbyterian church and gave his political support to the republican party. His wife, Virginia (Winters) Peppers, was born in Wheeling, West Virginia, and passed away in Newark, Ohio.

John Peppers, who was born at Steubenville, Ohio, September 19, 1861, engaged in railroad work for many years but is now living retired in Toledo. He adheres to the Methodist Episcopal faith and in politics is a democrat. His wife, a native of Martins Ferry, Ohio, was born February 18, 1871. Her father, Joseph Romick, was born in Georgetown, Ohio, and during the Civil war was a drummer boy in the Union army. Captured by the Confederate forces, he twice made his escape from Andersonville prison and as a result of his confinement contracted fever, which caused his death at the age of thirty-three years. He was affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal church of Martins Ferry and cast his ballot for the candidates of the republican party. His wife, Eliza M. (Coss) Romick, was a native of Bridgeport. Both passed away at Martins Ferry.

It was in Martins Ferry that Wayne R. Peppers obtained his early instruction, afterward becoming a pupil in the old

Central high school of Toledo and the Tri-State Business College. He next attended St. John's University, completing his education in Toledo University, from which he was graduated in 1919 with the degree of LL. B. On July 2 of the same year he was admitted to the Ohio bar and on September 15, 1920, qualified for practice in the federal courts. For ten years he has followed his profession in Toledo, displaying keen sagacity in the solution of intricate legal problems, and his clientele has steadily increased in volume as well as in importance. He devotes much time and thought to the preparation of his cases and is felicitous and clear in argument.

Mr. Peppers was married July 14, 1923, in Detroit, Michigan, to Miss Ethel A. Mathias, a daughter of Henry F. and Mary (Provo) Mathias, both now deceased. Mrs. Peppers was born August 18, 1902, in Toledo and attended its public schools. Mr. and Mrs. Peppers have become the parents of a daughter, Virginia May, who was born June 21, 1924.

Mr. Peppers is identified with the Fraternal Order of Eagles, the York and Scottish Rite bodies of Masonry and Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. Mrs. Peppers is connected with Dendarah Court of the Oriental Shrine and also with the Toledo chapter of the Eastern Star. She adheres to the Congregational faith, and Mr. Peppers is a Presbyterian, while in politics he is nonpartisan, voting according to the dictates of his judgment. He is a member of the Toledo, Ohio State and American Bar Associations and closely applies himself to the work of his profession, of which he is an able exponent, while his personal attributes are such as make for esteem and friendship.

AUGUST M. STREICHER

August M. Streicher, junior member of the well known law firm of Connolly, McCabe, Flory & Streicher, is one of Toledo's well known attorneys, having appeared as counsel in many important cases in the courts of Lucas county. He was born in this city on the 3d of September, 1891, a son of August M. and Catherine (Gilsdorf) Streicher. His father, who died at the age of forty-three years, was for many years

engaged in the cloak manufacturing business in Toledo; was a leader in commercial affairs of the city and was active in the advancement of the civic interests of the community. The mother passed away in 1925. To this worthy couple were born eight children, as follows: August M., of this review; Belle, who was the wife of Albert Bernard, and died in March, 1929; Grace, who died at the age of thirty-three years; John H., who is an officer of the Commercial Bank of Toledo; Nicholas, a resident of Toledo; Amelia, the wife of Frank Burley, of Detroit, Michigan; Mary, the wife of John J. Wenninger, of Toledo; and Loretta, the wife of Earl Van Wormer, of Toledo.

August M. Streicher received his early education in the parochial schools of Toledo, and then entered the law department of St. John's University of Toledo, from which he was graduated with the class of 1912. He was admitted to the bar and at once entered upon the practice of his profession, in which success attended him from the start. He served for several years as assistant prosecuting attorney under Judge Roy Stuart, after which he was for four years a member of the state legislature. On the expiration of his last term he took up the private practice of law as a member of the firm of Connolly, McCabe, Flory & Streicher, with offices at 738-746 Ohio building, and commands a flattering practice.

On January 8, 1916, Mr. Streicher was united in marriage to Miss Angela Pilliod, who was born and reared in Toledo and is a daughter of Henry and Clara Pilliod, the former of whom is deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Streicher are the parents of three sons, namely: Robert H., born November 28, 1918; William A., born June 9, 1923; and Bernard, born October 4, 1928. Mrs. Streicher's brother, Dr. Frank W. Pilliod, was the first physician from Toledo to leave for service in France.

Mr. Streicher is a member of Toledo Lodge, No. 53, B. P. O. E., and of Toledo Council, No. 386, K. C., of which he is the advocate, and also belongs to and is president of the Toledo chapter of the Delta Phi Lambda college fraternity. He and his family are members of Jesu Roman Catholic church and Mrs. Streicher is very active in church and social circles,

being a popular member of her social group. The family occupy a comfortable and attractive home in Westmoreland. Mr. Streicher possesses the essential attributes of the able and successful lawyer, and throughout this community he is greatly respected by all who know him.

WILLIAM L. LANE

William L. Lane, who is connected with the Kelley Island Lime & Transport Company, is well known in Marblehead, which for more than thirty years has numbered him among its loyal citizens. He was born in Carrollton, Ohio, in 1866, a son of John E. and Julia A. Lane, the former also a native of the Buckeye state and a member of an old family of Pennsylvania.

Reared on his father's farm, William L. Lane obtained his education in the public schools of Carroll county, Ohio, and afterward, taking up the study of telegraphy, was operator for the Cleveland, Canton & Southern Railroad at Carrollton for a year. In 1891 he came to Marblehead as an employe of the Lakeside & Marblehead Railroad, with which he remained until 1916, when he entered the service of the Kelley Island Lime & Transport Company, manufacturers of stone and lime. Mr. Lane is a stockholder of the corporation, of which he has been chief clerk for thirteen years, rendering valuable service to the firm through the efficient and conscientious discharge of his important duties. The company operates large quarries adjacent to Marblehead and has the only lime products plant in the eastern part of Ottawa county.

In 1893 Mr. Lane was married in Minerva, Ohio, to Miss Agnes Zollars, of Carroll county, and they have two children: Marion, who was graduated from the University of Ohio and is teacher of home economics in the high school at Columbus, this state; and John, who married Miss Norma Graves and is assistant cashier of the Bank of Marblehead.

The family are Congregationalists in religious faith, and Mrs. Lane devotes much time to church work, being connected with the Ladies Aid Society and the Missionary Soci-

ety. Mr. Lane gives his political support to the republican party and manifests his public spirit by service on the board of education, also furthering the progress of his community as a member of the Civic Club. Along social and fraternal lines he is connected with the Catawba Cliffs Country and Beach Club, the Port Clinton lodge of Masons and Marblehead lodge of the Knights of Pythias.

ARTHUR P. SCHULTZ

The development of the motor car has brought about the establishment of many new lines of business, among which are the service stations necessary to meet the requirements of the automobile for gas, oil and other necessities. It is to this field of business that Arthur P. Schultz has directed his efforts and the Schultz Service Station, maintained at Jefferson and Huron streets in Toledo, is open day and night to serve the public. Its owner, Arthur P. Schultz, was born in Morgantown, Berks county, Pennsylvania, April 12, 1886, and is descended in the paternal line from German ancestry. His father, Joseph Schultz, who was born in Berks county, Pennsylvania, in 1862, spent his entire life there and after completing his education devoted his attention largely to agricultural pursuits, while for some years he was also a distributor for the Deering Company, manufacturers of farm implements, at Morgantown. His political endorsement was given to the republican party and his religious faith was that of the Mennonite church. He passed away at his home near Morgantown in 1904, at the age of forty-two years. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Elizabeth Templin, was born near Honey Brook, Chester county, Pennsylvania, and was of English lineage in the paternal line and of German descent in the maternal line. Mr. and Mrs. Schultz became the parents of three children, but one has passed away. The surviving daughter is Eva, the wife of Le Roy Quickel, of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Arthur P. Schultz was a pupil in the public and township high schools of his native county until graduated with the class of 1903. Following the death of his father he conducted

the home farm for three years, supporting his mother and sister, but believed that he would find other pursuits more congenial than farm work and entered upon an apprenticeship to the machinist's trade in Morgantown. He did not find this altogether to his liking, however, and took up threshing and sawmill work, following the latter for a period of five years. In 1913 he came to Toledo, arriving an entire stranger but hoping to find business and home conditions pleasant. His first position here was in the Overland factory and in those early days he also worked as a stationary engineer. In 1916 he filled positions as a repair mechanic in various automobile shops of Toledo and this eventually led to his entering his present line of business—that of the auto service station. He established the Schultz Service Station in 1918 and with the passing years has developed a business that is scarcely second to any in its line in Toledo. His service station is situated at the corner of Jefferson and Huron streets, on the line of the state and federal automobile routes, and was the first modern lubrication service station of the city. Originally he carried on business at 618 Locust street but with the growth of his patronage sought a more advantageous corner and his plant now covers sixty thousand square feet and is supplied with the latest and most modern equipment to be found in this kind of business. He employs seven mechanics and is now at the head of an enterprise that brings to him excellent financial returns. He has based his success upon a high standard of service, thorough reliability in his dealings, upon unfailing courtesy and close attention to the wants of patrons.

In September, 1915, in Toledo, Mr. Schultz was married to Miss Minnie Ranildi, a native of Lucas county and in both paternal and maternal lines a representative of old families here. Mrs. Schultz takes active part in the work of the Forsyth Relief Corps.

Mr. Schultz votes independently at local elections but when national issues are involved gives his allegiance to the republican party. He is a member of the Lutheran church and is well known in fraternal circles through his connection with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Loyal Order of Moose and the Fraternal Order of Eagles. He en-

joys aquatic sports and he has membership in the Bay View and the Ottawa River Yacht Clubs. Motoring and travel also constitute favorite forms of diversion with him and when leisure permits he visits various sections of the country, his annual trips covering from one to ten thousand miles. One cannot do this and be narrow-minded and provincial. On the contrary, he is cosmopolitan in tastes and interests and keeps at all times in touch with modern thought and progress.

JOHN WALLACE WHITMER

An earnest, conscientious student, John Wallace Whitmer made thorough preparation for his chosen profession, in which he has made substantial progress, and for fourteen years has ably discharged the duties of superintendent of schools of Lucas county. He was born in Waterville, this county, November 18, 1877, a son of Joseph and Gottliebe (Strobel) Whitmer, the former a native of Switzerland and the latter of Wittenberg, Germany. The father passed away in 1912, and the mother's demise occurred in 1893. They were the parents of twelve children, ten of whom survive.

Reared on his father's farm, John Wallace Whitmer attended the common schools of that locality and the Wooster summer school. He was a student at the University of Michigan and won the degree of Ph. B. from Wooster College in 1915, subsequently completing a course in the Ohio State University, which conferred upon him the M. A. degree in 1926. His initial experience as a teacher was gained in 1899, and in 1903 he became superintendent of schools at Waterville, there remaining until 1914. In 1915 he came to Toledo and has since had supervision of the Lucas county schools, making a fine record in the office. Thoroughly understanding the needs of the pupils, he has instituted many changes and improvements in the curriculum and methods of instruction and keeps in close touch with the most modern ideas in regard to the education of children. He has brought the schools of the county up to a high standard, and his continuation in the office of superintendent is an eloquent testimonial to his worth.

JOHN W. WHITMER

On the 11th of July, 1917, Mr. Whitmer was united in marriage to Miss Karis Jameson, of East Liberty, Ohio, and their attractive home in Toledo is a center of the city's social and cultural life. Mr. Whitmer is affiliated with the Methodist Episcopal church and casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party. He belongs to the various Masonic bodies and filled all of the chairs in Wakeman Lodge No. 522, F. & A. M., at Waterville. He is now senior warden of the commandery at Toledo and is also identified with the local lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. Mr. Whitmer is clerk of the Lucas county board of school examiners and an ex-president of the County Superintendents Association of Ohio. He is identified with the Lucas County Teachers Association, the Northwestern Ohio Teachers Association, the State Teachers Association and the National Teachers Association. In the last named he holds a life membership, purchased for him by the teachers of Lucas county, and he is also connected with Phi Delta Kappa college fraternity. Endowed by nature with a special gift for the line of work in which he is engaged, Mr. Whitmer has advanced the standards of education in northwestern Ohio, and his tact, consideration and kindly disposition have won for him the high and enduring regard of all with whom he has been associated. His residence is at 801 Mason street, Toledo.

MANFRED MILTON STOPHLET

Manfred M. Stophlet has long been known as one of the most capable and successful architects in northwestern Ohio and is worthy of being numbered among those whose activities have typified the enterprising and progressive spirit of Toledo, where he has resided for nearly three decades. He was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana, on the 20th of June, 1877, and is a son of John Walpole and Lizzie (Underhill) Stophlet. The earliest record of the family is found in the history of the provinces of Alsace and Lorraine, whence some of its members came to America. Samuel Stophlet, the paternal grandfather of our subject, was born in Pennsylvania and went to Fort Wayne, Indiana, very early in the history of

that city. He served as postmaster there for many years and was a member of the state legislature, as well as a counselor for the Indians. Judge Stophlet, as he was called, married Miss Mary McMaken, a daughter of a pioneer of Fort Wayne, whose early recollections extended back to a residence in the old blockhouse of the fort built by General Anthony Wayne in 1794. Samuel and Mary Stophlet were the parents of John Walpole Stophlet, who was born in Fort Wayne, Indiana, April 25, 1845. He received his education in the schools of his native city. At the age of seventeen years he served as a private in the Civil war, being a member of the One Hundred and Fifty-first Ohio Volunteer Infantry, one of the "hundred day" regiments called out in 1864. He was a member of Rubicon Lodge, No. 237, F. & A. M., and when he died, January 20, 1905, his funeral was in charge of the Masonic lodge, which escorted his remains to Fort Wayne, Indiana, for burial. In 1872 he had married Lizzie Underhill, a daughter of Phineas Strong and Harriet Underhill, and to them were born five children, one of whom is deceased, the survivers being Alonzo B., Manfred M., Mark B. and Harry S. In July, 1886, John W. Stophlet brought his family to Toledo. Phineas Strong and Harriet (Boynton) Underhill were among the earliest settlers of Fort Wayne, to which place they migrated from New England, and at the time of his death Mr. Underhill was numbered among the prominent business men and influential citizens of that city.

Manfred M. Stophlet attended the public schools of Fort Wayne and Toledo, after which he studied architecture in Columbia University, New York city. In 1901 he returned to Toledo, where he has since been associated with several of the city's leading architects, being at this time a member of the firm of Stophlet & Stophlet. He has designed a large number of commercial and public buildings in Toledo and surrounding territory in Ohio and Michigan, and is widely known for the utility as well as the beauty and dignity of his designs.

Mr. Stophlet has been married twice, first to Miss Agnes R. Tower, of Toledo, by which union were born three children, Robert Tower, Richard Boynton and Dorothy Eliza-

beth. On September 9, 1922, Mr. Stophlet married Miss Emma Elizabeth Reichart, a native of Ohio and a daughter of William Reichart.

Mr. Stophlet is a member of Rubicon Lodge, No. 237, F. & A. M.; Fort Meigs Chapter, No. 29, R. A. M.; Toledo Council, No. 33, R. & S. M.; Toledo Commandery, No. 7, K. T.; Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.; O-Ton-Ta-La Grotto, No. 40; Toledo Lodge, No. 53, B. P. O. E.; is a life member of the Maumee River Yacht Club; belongs to the Toledo Traveling Men's Association, the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, the Toledo Automobile Club and the Sylvania Golf Club, and is also affiliated with the American Institute of Architects. His religious connection is with the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church. A man of earnest purpose and useful life, he is very highly regarded throughout the range of his acquaintance and is one of his city's representative professional men.

AMMI FROST MITCHELL

Ammi Frost Mitchell, vice president of the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company, is one of the prominent figures in Toledo's banking and financial center, having been for over forty-two years identified with those interests in this city. He was born in Maumee, Lucas county, Ohio, March 13, 1869, a son of Reuben B. and Ellen A. (Frost) Mitchell. The father was a native of Maine and migrated to the Buckeye state as a young man. He established the first foundry in Lucas county and later became a prominent banker of Maumee. His useful, upright life was terminated May 10, 1900, and his wife passed away in 1919.

A. F. Mitchell was educated in the public schools of Maumee, Toledo, and the St. Johnsbury Academy at St. Johnsbury, Vermont. He began his business career in his father's bank at Maumee, which he left in 1887, and for six months thereafter was employed in the Merchants & Clerks Savings Bank of Toledo. On the expiration of that period he entered the Northern National Bank of Toledo, starting as correspondence clerk and rising to the office of vice president. Mr.

Mitchell was acting in that capacity when the bank was absorbed by the Toledo Trust Company, with which he spent a short time, and since July, 1924, has been vice president of the Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company of Toledo. His comprehensive knowledge of financial affairs and broad experience have been of direct value to the institution, which ranks with strong and ably managed banks in this section of the country. He is president of the Union Deposit Bank of Maumee, and vice president of the Home Savings Bank of Metamora. Among his other business connections he is vice president of the Gendron Realty Company of Toledo.

On the 1st of November, 1896, Mr. Mitchell was married in Mansfield, Ohio, to Miss Florence Au, who passed away June 26, 1913. To them were born four children: Frost A., Ellen and Eunice, twins, and Marian. Mr. Mitchell's second union was with Frances Koch Hurd, to whom he was married November 19, 1922, in Toledo.

A Knight Templar Mason and Shriner, Mr. Mitchell has taken the thirty-second degree in the order, and he is a Unitarian in his religious views. Like most successful men, he has risen to the top through tenacity of purpose and his ability to plan and perform. His well rounded nature unites the refinements of life with the sterner qualities of manhood, and his efforts are resultant factors in everything that he undertakes.

DONALD H. BUCKHOUT

Broad practical experience has supplemented the technical education of Donald H. Buckhout, who is successfully engaged in the practice of architecture in Toledo, his native city, amply justifying the promise of his student days. He was born March 2, 1894, and is a son of Walter S. and Viola (Willison) Buckhout. The father was born near Oshtemo, Michigan, while the mother is a native of Hastings, that state. The grandfather, Henry Buckhout, journeyed from the Genesee valley of New York to Michigan in company with his brothers and all became pioneer settlers of Kalamazoo county. Henry Buckhout located in the vicinity of Oshtemo

and there engaged in agricultural pursuits until his demise. His wife Eunice (Coleman) Buckhout, who was also a native of the Empire state, passed away in St. Paul, Minnesota. Walter S. Buckhout spent his early life on his father's farm and afterward came to Toledo, being now auditor for the R. A. Bartley Company of this city. He is an earnest member of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church and gives his political support to the republican party. Mrs. Buckhout's father, Zeph Willison, now deceased, was a leading merchant of Hastings, Michigan. Her mother, Julia (Griffin) Willison, has also passed away.

Donald H. Buckhout was graduated from the old Central high school of Toledo in 1911 and in 1917 won the B. S. degree from the University of Minnesota, at which time he was awarded the scholastic medal of the American Institute of Architects because of his record as a student. During the World war he was inspector of construction at the Hampton Roads naval base near Norfolk, Virginia, receiving his appointment from the civil service commission, and he returned to Toledo as engineer and designer of the local nitrate plant of the United States government. Afterward he was employed in succession by Mills, Rhines, Bellman & Nordhoff, George B. Rheinfrank and Harry W. Wachter, spending two years with each firm of architects, and he subsequently was associated with Carl H. Ruch, a well known contractor of Toledo, for three years, in order to study field methods of construction, as well as to secure accurate and definite data concerning costs of various types of construction. In November, 1928, Mr. Buckhout began his independent career as an architect, opening an office in the Nicholas building, and has already been entrusted with a number of important commissions. His designs are skilfully executed, combining beauty and symmetry with utility, and thoroughly conforming to specific needs.

On the 17th of November, 1920, Mr. Buckhout was married in Perrysburg, Ohio, to Miss Ruth Tracy, a native of Toledo and a graduate of the Smead school of this city, also of the Tewksbury school at White Plains, New York. She is a daughter of Thomas H. and Laura (Pratt) Tracy and a member of one of Toledo's old and highly respected families.

Her father, who was born near Millbury, Ohio, is a leading attorney and senior member of the well known law firm of Tracy, Chapman & Welles. Her mother's birth occurred near Perrysburg. Mr. and Mrs. Buckhout have two children: Donald H., Jr., who was born October 22, 1922; and Natalie, born June 29, 1926.

Mr. Buckhout is affiliated with the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church, while Mrs. Buckhout is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. In politics he is a republican, and he finds relaxation and diversion in golf. Imbued with the creative instinct and the true artist's appreciation of beauty in its various forms, Mr. Buckhout greatly enjoys his work, and his ability, ambition and close application are destined to carry him far in a field which is regarded as the most useful of the fine arts and the noblest of the useful arts.

WALTER WILLIAM BRAND, M. D.

Dr. Walter William Brand was born in Toledo, August 29, 1871, his parents being Adolph and Therese (Zundel) Brand. The mother, a daughter of John Zundel, came to America in early life. Dr. Brand's father arrived in the new world in 1864, and established his home in Toledo, where later he engaged in a mercantile business conducted under the firm name of Brand & Marx. He passed away in 1916, at the age of seventy-six years. His wife departed this life in 1910, at the age of sixty-two years. In their family were three children: Rudolph, a resident of Los Angeles, California; Walter William, of this review; and Herman H., who is vice president of the Union Trust & Savings Bank of Toledo.

At the usual age Dr. Brand entered the public schools, being graduated from the Central high school of Toledo with the class of 1890. His more specifically literary education was pursued in the University of Michigan and then in preparation for professional service he entered the Jefferson Medical College at Philadelphia and won his M. D. degree as a member of the class of 1894. Following the completion of his course he returned to Toledo and for a year saw active

service as interne in the Toledo Hospital. He then entered upon private practice. For the past twenty years he has been a member of the staff and president of the staff of Women's and Children's Hospital of Toledo. From 1901 until 1906 he served as city health commissioner of Toledo and he has been appointed a member of a committee of four to supervise the construction of the hospital addition to the Lucas County Infirmary, this appointment being made by the judge of the court of common pleas of Lucas county.

In Toledo, April 17, 1895, Dr. Brand was married to Miss Julia Layng, who was born in Van Wert, Ohio, a daughter of George W. and Florence (Cowan) Layng. Dr. and Mrs. Brand have a daughter, Madeleine, now the wife of Austin Reynolds Waite, of Toledo. The Doctor's residence is at 2242 Parkwood avenue. His interest in civic measures is demonstrated in his connection with the Chamber of Commerce and socially he is identified with the Toledo Club, the Toledo Country Club, the University Club, Elks Club, the Torch Club, of which he is past president, and the University of Michigan Club.

GEORGE GREEN

George Green is proving an important factor in the educational progress of Ottawa county, occupying at the present time the position of superintendent of the Harris-Elmore schools. Actuated by high standards and prompted by the noble purpose of making his services of the greatest possible benefit to the youth of the land in the development of character as well as in the stimulus of intellectual activity, he has done much to advance the standards of the school.

Ohio numbers Mr. Green among her native sons, his birth having occurred in Winchester, October 5, 1889. He attended the rural schools in his early youth afterward a preparatory school, and then entered Lebanon University, from which he was graduated with the class of 1915, winning the Bachelor of Arts degree. The same degree was conferred upon him at the completion of a course of study in Wilming-

ton College in 1919. He also devoted more than a year to post-graduate work in the University of Chicago.

Mr. Green has always devoted his attention to the profession of teaching and for four years was thus connected with the rural schools of Brown county, Ohio, while later he spent a similar period in Warren county and three years in Huron county. In 1922 he came to Elmore as superintendent of the Harris-Elmore schools and here he has since remained, most capably serving the community in the methods which he employs as an instructor and in the advancement of the school's standards. Mr. Green has also had a few years' experience in supervision work and has made for himself a most creditable place in educational circles of his native state.

There is an interesting military chapter in his life record inasmuch as during the World war he was connected with the chemical warfare service, spending eight months in the Edgewood arsenal in work of a most difficult and dangerous character. Fraternally he is connected with the Masonic lodge at North Fairfield, Ohio, and his religious faith is that of the Methodist Episcopal church, while at all times his aid and influence are on the side of those interests which further the development and welfare of the individual and the community at large.

GEORGE KELLER APPLE

One of the most responsible positions in the machinery of the law courts is that of official reporter, for his is the only record of the actual testimony of court proceedings. George Keller Apple, assistant official court reporter of Lucas county, is an expert shorthand writer and is in every respect qualified for the position. He was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on the 26th of September, 1874, and is a son of Henry and Martha (Keller) Apple. The family was early established in this country. On the paternal side his ancestors were represented in the Revolutionary war and were of German and English descent. His father and grandfather were both born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the former on the 1st of January, 1828, and he died December 3,

1906. His maternal grandmother, Mary Loller, was born in 1802 of Welsh parents, while his maternal grandfather was born in 1800 and was of German and English descent. The Keller family was founded in this country in 1764. One member of the family served as a lieutenant and another as a private in the Continental army.

George K. Apple is the only survivor of the six children born to his parents. At the age of seven years he accompanied the family on their removal to Haddonfield, New Jersey. After completing the grade and high school courses, he attended a business school in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in which he prepared for the profession of shorthand reporting. For twenty years he was employed in the United States immigration service and for a period of twelve years, from 1911 to 1923, he was in charge of the immigration service in Toledo. On November 1, 1923, he accepted the appointment as assistant official court reporter, which position he still holds.

On the 20th of June, 1906, Mr. Apple was united in marriage to Miss Mabel Vincent, of Quebec, Canada, a daughter of William and Annie (Turner) Vincent. She is a first cousin of Lieutenant-General Sir R. E. W. Turner, of Quebec, who went to France with the first Canadian army and later had command of all Canadian troops in England during the latter part of the World war. Because of the service thus rendered the English government conferred on him the titles of Knight Commander of the Bath and the Military Cross. He had previously won the Victoria Cross and the D. S. O. in the Boer war. To Mr. and Mrs. Apple have been born three children, as follows: Vincent Keller, born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, May 1, 1907, is a radio expert and resides in Toledo; Dorothy, born in Cleveland, Ohio, April 17, 1909, is a student in the Art Museum of Cleveland; and Ruth, born July 23, 1919, died October 17, 1921.

Mr. Apple is a member of Robinson Locke Lodge, No. 659, F. & A. M.; and Anthony Wayne Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution. His religious affiliation is with the Protestant Episcopal church, and he is the treasurer of the Mission of the Holy Spirit in West Toledo. He belongs to the state and national organizations of shorthand reporters.

Boating and fishing are his favorite summertime recreations, and he is the owner of a nicely appointed cottage at Wampler Lake, Michigan. He is widely known in Toledo, where his residence for many years has been at 4211 Berwick avenue. In his manner he is cordial and unassuming and he enjoys the uniform respect of those who know him.

CLARENCE A. REETZ

A highly esteemed member of banking circles of Toledo is Clarence A. Reetz, manager of the South Spencer branch of the Commerce Guardian Trust & Savings Bank of Toledo, a position which he attained through years of loyal and efficient service. He is a native of Toledo, born March 19, 1898, and is a son of William and Bertha (Frederick) Reetz, who have been lifelong residents of Toledo. The father has been a successful contractor and builder here for a number of years and is prominent in business circles of the city. He is a republican and a member of the Salem Reformed church.

Clarence A. Reetz attended the public schools and completed his preparation for a business career by courses in the Tri-State and Metropolitan Business Colleges. He went to work for the Pennsylvania Railroad in a clerical capacity, but a year later he entered the National Bank of Commerce, at the corner of Madison and St. Clair streets, which is now the Commerce Guardian Trust & Savings Bank. Starting in as a messenger boy, he gave the best service of which he was capable, as he did also in every succeeding position to which he was promoted, and his sterling qualities received substantial recognition when he was made manager of the South Spencer branch of that bank, in which position he is still serving.

On October 2, 1919, in Maumee, Ohio, Mr. Reetz was united in marriage to Miss Blanche Farnsworth, who was born at Waterville, this state, and is a daughter of Ralph E. and Anna (Glann) Farnsworth, of Toledo. Mr. Farnsworth is a member of the board of county commissioners of Lucas county. Mrs. Reetz is a graduate of the Maumee high school and belongs to the Order of the Eastern Star. Mr. and

Mrs. Reetz are the parents of two children: Donald Clarence, born August 29, 1921; and Robert Wayne, born July 10, 1925.

Mr. Reetz is independent in his political views, voting always for the candidates who in his judgment are best qualified for the offices they seek. He belongs to Pyramid Lodge, No. 701, F. & A. M., of Toledo, and the South Side Chamber of Commerce, and is secretary and treasurer of the South Spencer Business Men's Association. He and his wife are earnest members of the Park Congregational church. During the World war Mr. Reetz enlisted and went into training at Camp Meigs, Washington, D. C., from which he was later transferred to Camp Holabird, Maryland, and he was honorably discharged from the service in April, 1919. He has shown splendid executive ability in his management of the bank, and in his relations with its patrons has maintained a mutual spirit of good will which has been evident in the continued growth of the bank's financial statements.

JERRY D. MOMENEE

Jerry D. Momenee has spent the greater part of his life in Toledo, finding here excellent opportunities for advancement, and through their wise utilization he has become a successful business man. He was born in Momeneetown, Ohio, September 24, 1878, a son of Michael and Victoria (Casaver) Momenee, who were natives of Erie, Michigan, and became pioneer settlers of Momeneetown, migrating thence to Toledo over fifty years ago. Jerry D. Momenee received a public school education and when a young man of twenty-two years entered the employ of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, with which he spent ten years, acquiring a detailed knowledge of the business. In 1919 he combined his capital with that of Michael B. Murray, and they have since engaged in the insurance business in Toledo under the style of the Momenee-Murray Company. Mr. Momenee is president of the corporation, which has a suite of offices on the fifth floor of the Ohio building, and a constantly increasing

number of satisfied policyholders attests the quality of service rendered by the firm.

On the 20th of May, 1902, Mr. Momenee was united in marriage to Miss Blanche Seaver, a native of Toledo, and their attractive and hospitable home has long been a center of the social life of the city. Mr. Momenee is unbiased in his political views and votes according to the dictates of his judgment, standing for progress, reform and improvement in public affairs. He adheres to the Catholic faith and has been a member of the St. Louis Society of Toledo for thirty-five years. His fraternal affiliations are with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and champions every well defined project for Toledo's growth and betterment. Mr. Momenee is a broad-minded man of progressive views and high standards and stands deservedly high in the esteem of his fellow citizens.

EDWARD HOPKINS

Forceful and resourceful, Edward Hopkins has made steady progress since starting out in the business world and is now widely known as the vice president of the Toledo Shipbuilding Company and its naval architect. His plans are always definite, his vision is clear and his judgment sound. These qualities, therefore, have carried him into important business relations, the Toledo Shipbuilding Company profiting largely through his cooperation.

Mr. Hopkins was born in Detroit, Michigan, August 28, 1872. His parents were John and Ellen (Leithead) Hopkins, the former a native of Dublin, Ireland, in which city he was reared and educated. Coming to America in 1862, he settled in Detroit and for many years he followed carpentering, having served an apprenticeship to the trade in early life. Later he became a contractor and was identified with building operations in Detroit until he put aside business cares. In that city he married Ellen Leithead, who was born in Lapeer, Michigan, and is of Scotch descent. The death of John Hopkins occurred in 1925, when he had reached the

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age of eighty-four years, but his widow survives and yet makes her home in Detroit. Their family numbered four sons and a daughter, and four of the five are yet living, namely: Edward, Harold, Leslie and Mrs. Walter MacAdam.

Edward Hopkins, the eldest of the family, pursued a public school education in Detroit until he reached the seventh grade, when he began providing for his own support, obtaining a position as an illustrator in a wood engraving plant in his native city. After a brief period, however, he entered the employ of the Detroit Dry Dock & Engineering Works at a wage of seven dollars and a half per week. Industry and diligence characterized his efforts from the beginning and, moreover, he made it his purpose to learn everything possible concerning the business and under the guidance of Frank E. Kirby, a nationally known naval architect, he began the study of naval architecture. For seventeen years he was associated with Mr. Kirby, constantly promoting his efficiency through study and experience until he reached a high professional plane. The two men labored jointly in the execution of some of the foremost contracts in their line, designing lake and ocean-going vessels, which included some of the largest and finest ships on the Great Lakes. Although he started as office boy with the Detroit Shipbuilding Company, of which Mr. Kirby was then the head, in four years he had become chief draughtsman. From 1904 until 1905 he served in a similar capacity with the American Shipbuilding Company of Cleveland and in the latter year removed to Toledo, where he became associated with William G. Henderson and other well known business men in organizing the Toledo Shipbuilding Company, of which he became the naval architect, and in December, 1924, he was elected vice president. He not only discharges the executive duties of this office but is the technician of the company in its large shipbuilding program. This company is one of the foremost in its line in the United States and Mr. Hopkins' steady rise in his chosen field of labor is indicated in the fact that he is today one of its chief officials. The company employs thousands of men, working in a splendidly equipped plant supplied with the latest improved machinery, and theirs is now one of the chief industries of Toledo.

On the 20th of October, 1898, in Detroit, Mr. Hopkins was married to Miss Grace Symington, a native of that city and a daughter of Duncan and Barbara (Campbell) Symington, both of whom have passed away. Her father was for many years a manufacturer who conducted the Frontier Iron Works, builders of marine engines, in which connection he was widely known. Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins reside at 2245 Scottwood avenue. She is a member of the Toledo Women's Club but Mr. Hopkins has no club connections at the present time, having found it necessary to give up all of his former Associations of that character because of the increasing demand of his business interests. He is, however, a member of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce and the Society of Naval Architects. He gives to his company the service of an expert. His constantly expanding powers have enabled him to outdistance many who perhaps started in life under more favorable financial circumstances. Efficiency has ever been his watchword and his opinions concerning any branch of naval architecture are largely accepted as authority.

FIDEL F. SCHWARZ

The proud American title of self-made man is worthily worn by Fidel F. Schwarz, of Toledo, whose success has been won solely through his unaided efforts, the qualities of industry, perseverance, good judgment and honesty having contributed to his rise in the business world. As a leading official of the Knights of the Maccabees he has shown an ability and dependableness which have gained for him the genuine respect of all who know him.

Mr. Schwarz was born in Freedom township, about seven miles from Manchester, Washtenaw county, Michigan, on the 10th of January, 1874, and is the eighth in order of birth of the nine children who blessed the union of Fidel and Monica (Eisele) Schwarz. Both parents were born in Andelfingen, Wurtemburg, Germany, and were there reared, educated and married. They came to the United States prior to the Civil war and first located in New York. Later they went

to Ontario, Canada, but eventually settled in Michigan, where they spent their remaining years, the father dying in 1893 at Adrian. In his native country he learned the trade of a cooper, which line of work he followed after coming to this country. He was a democrat in his political views.

Fidel F. Schwarz attended the district school of his home neighborhood, completing his education in the public and parochial schools of Adrian, Michigan. At the age of thirteen years he started out to earn his own livelihood, apprenticing himself to learn the tinning and plumbing trade, which he followed until twenty-nine years old, being regarded as an expert workman, and thoroughness in all that he undertakes is one of his prominent characteristics. When sixteen years of age he went to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he lived until 1912. During the latter portion of that period he was identified with the firm of Pettibone Brothers, the largest manufacturers of military and secret society regalia and uniforms in this country. He became manager of that business, holding that responsible position until 1912, when he resigned and entered the artistic metal goods business as a manufacturer. He successfully engaged in that undertaking in Cincinnati for seven years, or until about the close of the late war, when he accepted the position of state lecturer for the Knights of the Maccabees, of which order he had been a member for many years, having joined Crusader Tent, No. 155, of Cincinnati, in his twenty-first year. He did such splendid and appreciated service for the order that in 1925 he received distinctive recognition in his election to the office of great record keeper and general supervisor, in which dual capacity he is still serving, with his offices in Toledo.

On April 22, 1896, in Cincinnati, Ohio, Mr. Schwarz was united in marriage to Miss Catherine Daniels, who is a native of Cincinnati and is a daughter of George and Ida (Kamp) Daniels, an old and well known family of that city. Both parents are deceased. Mrs. Schwarz is a member and past commander of the Ladies of the Maccabees. To Mr. and Mrs. Schwarz have been born five children, namely: Norma; Marie; Helen, who is the wife of Bernard Sullivan, of Toledo, and the mother of two children, Elaine Mary and Jerome Sullivan; and Gertrude and William, twins, both of

whom are deceased. All of the living children were educated in Cedar Grove Academy.

Mr. Schwarz maintains an independent attitude in politics but consistently gives his support to those measures which promise to promote the public welfare. The Roman Catholic church claims his religious allegiance, he and his wife being members of the Cathedral chapel. Mr. Schwarz is a man of earnest and sincere purpose, discharges his official duties in a conscientious manner, and to a marked degree he commands the respect and confidence of all who know him.

WILLIAM B. DEVLIN

William B. Devlin, attorney at law, was born in Toledo on the 8th of May, 1893, and is a son of Peter F. and Mary M. (Fallon) Devlin. The grandparents, Bernard and Bridget (Prendergast) Devlin, were natives of Ireland and emigrated to America about 1850. They came direct to Toledo, where the grandfather engaged in merchandising for many years, remaining in the city until his demise. He was a member of the Catholic church and a faithful follower of its teachings. Of his three children, two survive, Peter F. and William H., both residents of Toledo. Since its establishment in 1908 Peter F. Devlin has been clerk of the juvenile court of Toledo and his long retention in the office is an eloquent testimonial to his service. Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Devlin have always lived in Toledo and are the parents of three children: William B.; Lillian W., who is the wife of Lawrence W. Sullivan, of Detroit, Michigan; and Mildred I., at home.

William B. Devlin acquired his early education in St. Patrick's Academy, from which he was graduated in 1908. In 1913 he won the A. B. degree from St. John's University, which bestowed upon him that of LL. B. in 1916. From 1913 he was employed in the office of the clerk of courts in Toledo and attended night classes at the university. During 1917-1918 he was assistant prosecutor of Lucas county and engaged in general practice under his own name until 1921.

Since that time he has been a member of the firm of Hall & Devlin.

Mr. Devlin is unmarried and resides at No. 2834 Robinwood avenue, Toledo, while his office is situated on the eleventh floor of the Nicholas building. In politics he is a democrat, and his religious views are in harmony with the doctrines of the Catholic church. His fraternal affiliations are with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Highland Meadow Golf Club and the Toledo Bar Association.

PARKER E. GAUDERN

A valuable employe of the American Gypsum Company is Parker E. Gaudern, general office manager, which position he has held for a score of years. He was born in Elyria, Ohio, in 1880, and is a son of William J. and Mary (Herrick) Gaudern, both of whom are deceased. The mother was an adopted daughter of Frank Herrick. The father was for many years engaged in mercantile affairs. They were the parents of three children, Parker E., of this review; Harry E., deceased; and Mrs. John See, of Youngstown, Ohio.

Parker E. Gaudern received his education in the public and high schools of Elyria, Ohio, after which he took a commercial course in the Oberlin Business College, at Oberlin, Ohio, from which he was graduated in 1898. He entered the employ of the Garford Saddle Manufacturing Company in a clerical capacity, but later went to Cleveland and worked in the auditor's office of the Nickel Plate Railroad. In the fall of 1909 Mr. Gaudern came to Port Clinton and took charge of the office of the American Gypsum Company, which position he has held continuously to the present time, and also has charge of the company's offices at Detroit and Cleveland.

In 1905 Mr. Gaudern was united in marriage to Miss Cleora M. Arnold, of Florence, Ohio, and they are the parents of three children, namely: Margaret, born in 1907, attended Miami College and is at home; Gertrude, born in 1914, is a graduate of the Port Clinton high school; and Tom, born

in 1917, is in high school. Mrs. Gaudern is a past worthy matron of the Order of the Eastern Star.

The republican party receives Mr. Gaudern's support and he has shown an active interest in local public affairs. He is a member of the Masonic order; is a past master of his blue lodge, and also belongs to chapter and council. He also belongs to the Port Clinton Yacht Club and attends the Protestant Episcopal church. He is a member of the National Credit Men's Association; is recognized as a man of good business ability, and is held in high regard by the officers of his company.

JAMES A. FASKIN

James A. Faskin, who is rendering able service as commissioner of Forest cemetery, Toledo, is one of the city's old and honored residents, having for many years been connected with some of its most prominent business concerns. He was born in Toledo, January 17, 1861, and is a son of John and Mary (McMullen) Faskin. The father was born at Huntley Ford, Scotland, in 1821, and died in Toledo, May 7, 1897. He served in the British army with the famous Ninety-third Highlanders and was later ordered to Nova Scotia, whence he was transferred to Quebec and later to Montreal. At the latter place he bought his discharge from the army, at which time he held the rank of sergeant. In 1848 he came to Toledo, was employed by the Electric Auto-Lite Company. In Truax, later entering the employ of the Whittaker & Phillips Hardware Company. At the outbreak of the Civil war he gave evidence of his loyalty to his adopted country by enlisting in the Sixty-seventh Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry, of which he was made regimental adjutant and later lieutenant colonel. Subsequently he resigned from that regiment and returned home to organize the One Hundred and Thirtieth Regiment Ohio Volunteer Infantry, a one hundred day regiment, of which he became lieutenant colonel. He was honorably discharged at the close of the war and at once resumed his former position with the Whittaker-Phillips concern, with which he remained for forty years, or up to its re-

tirement from business. He was a stanch republican in politics and was appointed by President McKinley as night collector of customs. His wife, who was born in Ireland, died in Toledo, October 13, 1905, at the age of eighty-three years.

James A. Faskin was educated in the public schools of Toledo and took a commercial course in the Jorden Business College of this city. He first worked as a drug clerk in the store of Walding, Kamman & Marvin, with which concern he remained for eight years, and later held a clerkship in the county treasurer's office for eight years, first under Horace Potter and then under Samuel Hunter. He then took a clerkship in the office of the Taylor-Rogers Shoe Company, a wholesale shoe firm. This concern was reorganized several times, under different names, but Mr. Faskin remained with each succeeding firm until the concern finally went out of business. He was then a clerk in the office of Baumgardner & Company for five years, after which he had charge of James Ashley's office during the latter's campaign for congress. Mr. Faskin then helped to organize the First Home Guards, for duty in Toledo in 1917, in which he was assisted by officers of the old Veterans Cadet Corps. Later he was for ten years employed in a clerical capacity by the Willys-Overland Company, and in February, 1928, was appointed by Mayor William T. Jackson to his present position as commissioner of Forest cemetery. This cemetery was started in 1833 and is one of the oldest in Toledo, about ninety thousand bodies being interred there, including some of Toledo's most prominent citizens. It is a very pretty and well kept cemetery, and Mr. Faskin is taking pride in maintaining it in the best possible condition.

On June 29, 1904, in Mansfield, Ohio, Mr. Faskin was united in marriage to Miss Ida C. Kegg, who was born in Rainsburg, Bedford county, Pennsylvania, and is a daughter of Simon P. and Sarah E. (May) Kegg. Her father, who was born in Rainsburg and died in Mansfield, Ohio, in 1911, was a farmer in early life but was later associated with a lumber concern in Mansfield. He served three years and three months in the Union army during the Civil war as a private, and later a corporal in the One Hundred and First Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry. He participated

in twenty-one battles and was never wounded but had typhoid fever and later yellow fever. His wife, who also was born at Rainsburg, Ohio, died in Mansfield in 1907. Mrs. Faskin attended the public schools near Rainsburg and was graduated from the Toledo Hospital Training School for Nurses in 1897, after which she followed her profession in Toledo for seven years prior to her marriage. She is a member of the Second Church of Christ Scientist of Toledo and the Toledo Citizens Research Association.

Mr. Faskin has always supported the republican party and is an adherent of the Presbyterian church. He belongs to the Toledo Veteran Cadet Corps and the Fifty Year Club. A man of earnest purpose and unquestioned integrity, he has exemplified a high type of citizenship throughout his long and useful career, and no resident of Toledo is more worthy of public esteem than he.

JOHN F. HUNTER

John F. Hunter, in charge of the legal department of The Reuben Realty Company, was born in Ford City, Armstrong county, Pennsylvania, October 19, 1896, a son of Robert B. and Annie (Feeney) Hunter, the former a native of Shields, England, and the latter of County Longford, Ireland. The father as a young man was a glass worker and later became a stationary engineer. He attained the age of sixty-five years, passing away in August, 1927, and surviving his wife for a number of years.

John F. Hunter was four years of age when the family settled in Toledo. He attended the public schools of the city and prepared for his profession in St. John's University, from which he was graduated in 1918 with the degree LL. B. During the World war he enlisted in the United States army and was sent to Fort Hayes, Ohio. Later he was transferred to Camp Grant, Illinois, and was awaiting a commission when the armistice was signed. He was discharged November 28, 1918, and on returning to his home became connected with the Toledo Title Company. His ability and devotion to the interests of the corporation were rewarded in 1926 by

election to the office of secretary, which he filled until 1929, when he was chosen to his present position. He specializes in title and real estate law and is thoroughly informed on matters pertaining thereto.

Mr. Hunter was married June 18, 1918, in Toledo to Miss Mary F. Fischer, a native of the city and a daughter of Edward and Carrie (Sohnley) Fischer. Mr. and Mrs. Hunter have four children: Mary Frances, Edward J., Robert A. and Richard F.

The family are faithful communicants of St. Agnes Roman Catholic church of West Toledo. Mr. Hunter is active in Boy Scout work and champions all movements for the general good. He holds the fourth degree in the Knights of Columbus and is also a member of the Real Estate Board, the Chamber of Commerce, Toledo Post of the American Legion, the Elks, the Toledo Bar Association and the local Rifle Club. His home is at No. 1348 Royalton road.

WILLIAM K. BROWNLEE

One of Toledo's most successful industries is the Buckeye Clay Pot Company, of which William K. Brownlee is president, and which during the past twenty years has enjoyed a steady growth in business and reputation. Mr. Brownlee was born in Wellsburg, West Virginia, on the 6th of September, 1867, and is a son of William and Mary Ann (Shriner) Brownlee. The father, who was a native of West Virginia, died at Wellsburg, where he had been engaged in the manufacture of paper. At the outbreak of the Civil war he was one of the first to enlist, serving until the close of that conflict. He was a republican in politics and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church. His wife, also a native of the Mountain state, died at Wellsburg.

William K. Brownlee attended the public schools, graduating from the Wellsburg high school, after which he was a brick contractor in that city for some years. From 1900 to 1909 he was associated with the Libbey Glass Company of Toledo, looking after furnaces and construction work. In 1909 he and several associates founded the Buckeye Clay Pot

Company, of Toledo, of which he has been president and general manager to the present time. This company manufactures clay materials for use in glass factories, specifically, glass furnace materials, and the quality of its products has enabled it to build up a large and prosperous business. Mr. Brownlee is also a director of the North American Fire Brick Company, the headquarters of which are in Cleveland.

On August 28, 1889, in Wellsburg, West Virginia, Mr. Brownlee was united in marriage to Miss Ella M. Kennedy, a native of Wheeling, that state, and a daughter of the late Gloud Wilson Kennedy, a prominent contractor and builder of Wheeling and a veteran of the Civil war. Mrs. Brownlee received her education in the public schools and a seminary in Wheeling. Mr. and Mrs. Brownlee are the parents of a son, William L., born November 5, 1895, in Wellsburg, and now assistant manager of the Buckeye Clay Pot Company of Toledo. During the World war he was in the officers' training camp at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indianapolis, Indiana, and was later transferred to Camp Sherman, at Chillicothe, Ohio, where he was stationed when the armistice was signed. He married Miss Loraine Crosby, a native of Hudson, Michigan, and they have a daughter, Patsy Ann, born September 8, 1926.

William K. Brownlee gives his political support to the republican party. He was a member of the Knights of Pythias in Wellsburg, West Virginia, and now belongs to the Inverness Golf Club. Religiously he and his wife are connected with Trinity Protestant Episcopal church. He has shown splendid business and executive ability in the management of the company of which he is the head and well merits the success which has come to him.

HENRY ARTHUR MIDDLETON

Henry Arthur Middleton, member of the well known law firm of Geddes, Schmettau, Williams, Eversman & Morgan, has been continuously engaged in law practice in Toledo since his discharge from the army in April, 1919. He was born in Urbana, Ohio, July 19, 1888, the youngest of the four

children of Arthur Newton and Allie Loretta (Taylor) Middleton. His father, who was a representative of the legal profession throughout his active career, passed away in 1889. Henry A. Middleton was adopted and reared by Charles Newton and Mary Elizabeth (Middleton) Dodson, the latter being his father's sister.

Mr. Middleton received his education in the public schools of Champaign county, Ohio; the Springfield, Ohio, high school, Boston University and the Law School of Ohio State University. He was admitted to the Ohio bar in 1911 and at once became associated in general law practice with John F. Wilson and Fred C. Rector of Columbus. When the United States had become involved in the World war, he applied for admission to the Second Officers' Training Camp in July, 1917, was accepted and mustered in at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, August 27, 1917. On the 27th of November following he was commissioned first lieutenant of Field Artillery and was assigned to the Three Hundred and Twenty-third Field Artillery, Eighty-third Division, Camp Sherman, Ohio, with which regiment he remained during his entire service. With that division he sailed from New York on June 12, 1918, for service overseas. In action his regiment supported the Ninety-first, Twenty-ninth and Thirty-second Divisions and was actively engaged at Ecurey when the armistice was signed, November 11, 1918. On November 17th his regiment started on the march to the Rhine with the Thirty-second Division, and with it occupied the center wedge of the Coblenz bridge-head. Mr. Middleton served as adjutant of the Second Battalion and Commander of Battery E; was promoted to the rank of captain of Field Artillery and, as such, was honorably discharged at Camp Meade, Maryland, April 8, 1919. Immediately thereafter Mr. Middleton became associated with the Toledo law firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams, in which he became a partner in February, 1921. The firm name has since been changed to Geddes, Schmettau, Williams, Eversman & Morgan. His ability as an attorney is widely recognized and has won him place among the prominent representatives of the legal profession of his adopted city.

Mrs. Middleton was before her marriage Myrtle Elnora

Johnson of Urbana, Ohio, who, like her husband, traces her ancestry to a family settling in Virginia long prior to the Revolutionary war. Mr. and Mrs. Middleton are consistent members of St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, and both are actively interested in the social and civic enterprises of Toledo. Mr. Middleton is a Knight Templar and a thirty-second degree Mason. He also belongs to the Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Transportation Club and the Toledo Club; is a vice commander of the department of Ohio of the American Legion, and is past president of Anthony Wayne Chapter (Toledo) of the Sons of the American Revolution. Professionally, he is a member of The Toledo, Ohio State, and American Bar Associations. During the World war he saw action on the battle fronts of France, and he is thoroughly cognizant of the requirements of good citizenship in times of peace. His outstanding characteristics are such as command respect and confidence wherever he is known.

STEPHEN A. FAZEKAS

Stephen A. Fazekas has the distinction of being the first Hungarian lawyer to be admitted to the bar in Toledo, where he has practiced successfully for the past eleven years. He is not only a representative attorney but a worthy native son of the city, his birth having here occurred on the 22d of April, 1894. His parents, Stephen and Mary (Kosmay) Fazekas, both of whom were born in Hungary, have passed away. His sister, Mary, is the wife of George Szakovits.

Stephen A. Fazekas pursued his early education in parochial schools and subsequently matriculated in the University of Notre Dame at Notre Dame, Indiana. In further preparation for a professional career he next entered St. John's University of Toledo, which conferred upon him the degree of LL. B. in June, 1918, while he was in the service of his country. In December of the same year he was admitted to the bar and opened an office in Toledo, where he has continued in practice to the present time and has been accorded a large clientage in recognition of his ability in the work of the courts. He made a very creditable record as assistant law

STEPHEN A. FAZEKAS

director of Toledo for two years and is an able young lawyer who has already attained a degree of professional success that augurs a bright future.

On the 12th of September, 1916, Mr. Fazekas was united in marriage to Helen V. Sommers, of Toledo, daughter of John Sommers. They are the parents of two children, Virginia Eileen and James Robert.

Mr. Fazekas was a member of the Ohio State Naval Militia and when the United States entered the World war on April 7, 1917, was a member of the first unit to leave Toledo, which was two days after war was declared. He was stationed at the Philadelphia navy yard as a yeoman and served there during the war, being discharged in December, 1918. At the polls Mr. Fazekas supports the men and measures of the republican party, believing firmly in its principles. He filled the position of deputy treasurer of Lucas county for six months and served as second deputy recorder for a period of four years, efficiently discharging his duties in both connections. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Fraternal Order of Eagles and he also has membership in St. Stephen's Society. His favorite forms of recreation are indicated in his membership in the Izaak Walton League and the Chippewa Golf Club. He is a charter member of Dean Horton Post of the American Legion; a member of the Toledo Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association. His residence is at 722 Fourth street, East Toledo.

ROBERT C. HALL, D. D. S.

Dr. Robert C. Hall, one of Toledo's leading dentists, has had the privilege of practicing his profession in widely separated parts of the world and has attained a degree of technical skill that has won for him a large and profitable patronage. He was born in Pioneer, Williams county, Ohio, on the 6th of October, 1883, and is a son of Thomas B. and Mary Elizabeth (Orr) Hall. His paternal grandparents were Thomas and Margarite (Kirkpatrick) Hall, the former of whom was a native and lifelong resident of Shelby, Ohio. He

was a farmer by vocation, was a democrat in his political belief and was a member of the English Lutheran church. His wife was born in Pennsylvania and died in Pioneer, Ohio. Thomas B. Hall was born in Shelby, Ohio, August 30, 1848, and is now living at Pioneer, this state. He was for forty-five years engaged in mercantile pursuits but is now retired. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and is independent in his politics. His wife was born at Corunna, DeKalb county, Indiana, in 1855. Her parents, Edward and Rachael (Updyke) Orr, were natives respectively of Pennsylvania and New York city, and both died at Corunna, Indiana, where Mr. Orr had farmed for many years.

Robert C. Hall graduated from high school at Pioneer in 1901 and from the South Bend (Indiana) Commercial College in 1902. He then became private secretary to J. F. Harnit, general superintendent of the Missouri Pacific Railroad, with whom he remained until the fall of 1905, when he entered the dental school of the University of Michigan, from which he received the degree of Doctor of Dental Surgery in June, 1909. He entered upon the practice of his profession in Toledo in that year, but in September, 1911, he entered the dental department of the University of Glasgow, Scotland, from which he was graduated in 1912, with the degree of Licentiate in Dental Surgery (L. D. S.). He served his interneship in the Royal Infirmary at Glasgow, after which he went to Johannesburg, South Africa, where he practiced continuously until 1924. He then returned to Toledo and opened his present office at 749½ West Central avenue, where he is meeting with marked success.

Dr. Hall was married September 6, 1911, in Kendallville, Indiana, to Miss Lydia Louise Kunderd, who was born in that city, October 16, 1886, and is a daughter of Henry and Mary Jane Kunderd. Her father was born in Berne, Switzerland, and was brought to this country by his parents when two years of age. He devoted his active life to farming and died in Kendallville, Indiana, where his widow, who was born in DeKalb county, Indiana, is now living. Mrs. Hall was graduated from the Kendallville high school and is a member of the German Lutheran church. The Doctor and his wife are the parents of two sons, Charles Robert, who was born

in Hull, England, June 13, 1912; and Winston Conwell, who was born at Johannesburg, South Africa, June 14, 1916.

Dr. Hall is a member of the Toledo Dental Society, the Lucas County Dental Society, the Ohio State Dental Society and the American Dental Association. He is an independent voter, and he attends and is a supporter of St. Mark's Protestant Episcopal church. He is a member of the Masonic order in Johannesburg, and of the Psi Omega dental fraternity. He is a man of strong character, is closely devoted to his profession, and all who have come in contact with him hold him in high esteem for his professional ability and his worth as a man.

A. L. KERSHAW

A. L. Kershaw is one of Toledo's most energetic, progressive and capable business men and, as president of the Toledo Alloyed Castings Company, he has achieved a notable success. He was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on the 4th of October, 1889, and is a son of Adolphus and Henrietta (Davidson) Kershaw. He received his early education in the public schools of Cleveland and Pasadena, California, after which he attended Throop Polytechnic Institute at Pasadena, and Ohio State University at Columbus. In 1912 he became connected with the Ohio Electric Car Company, of Toledo, with which concern he remained for three years. During the two following years he was with the Milburn Wagon Company, of Toledo, and then he enlisted for service in the World war. He was commissioned a first lieutenant and assigned to the ordnance department, being stationed at Detroit, Michigan, until the close of the war. He was honorably discharged in January, 1919, and, returning to Toledo, was employed by the Electric Auto-Lite Company. In 1921 he purchased an interest in the Toledo Standard Commutator Company, with which he was associated until 1923.

In 1921 the Toledo Alloyed Castings Company was organized and in September, 1923, Mr. Kershaw took over the company, which was incorporated, and he has since been the executive head of the business. Starting in a small way,

this company, because of the superior quality of its products and its prompt and satisfactory service, has enjoyed a remarkable growth until today it is one of the substantial and important industries of Toledo. The company manufactures alloy castings and does a general jobbing business in automobile, aircraft, washing machine and marine motors, auto body parts, sporting goods parts, motor and chassis parts—in fact everything in alloy castings will be turned out by this company on a production basis. Large quantities of its products are shipped throughout Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana and Ohio.

On June 2, 1917, Mr. Kershaw was united in marriage to Miss Ruth Haskell, who was born and reared in Toledo and is a daughter of William H. and Mollie (Hauser) Haskell, both of whom are old residents of this city. Mr. Haskell, who is now retired, was for many years the owner and head of the W. H. Haskell Milling Company, one of the old and substantial business concerns of Toledo until 1920, when the business was closed out. Mr. and Mrs. Kershaw are the parents of two children: William Haskell, born April 6, 1918; and Robert Davidson, born October 7, 1923.

Mr. Kershaw is a member of the Toledo Club and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and is recognized as possessing superior business ability. His forebears in both lines were early established in this country, his paternal grandparents coming from England in 1825 and his maternal grandparents coming from Scotland in 1830. They have been stanch and loyal citizens of the republic through the generations to the present time, and in Mr. Kershaw is found an exemplification of the best type of American citizenship. Socially he is affable and friendly, and throughout the range of his acquaintance he is deservedly well liked.

DUDLEY FRANKLIN SMITH

Dudley F. Smith, member of the law firm of Ritter & Brumback, in the Commercial Bank Building, Toledo, is recognized as a capable, honorable and trustworthy lawyer and stands high in the legal circles of Lucas county. He was

born in Wooster, Ohio, on the 14th of March, 1896, and is a son of J. Frank and Macy A. Smith, to whom were born also two other children, Francis E., of Pasadena, California, and Martha C., the wife of W. W. Smelker, of Columbus, Ohio, and the mother of three children, James, Edward and Elizabeth. J. Frank Smith was for many years a minister of the Methodist Episcopal church and held a number of important pastorates in this state. His death occurred November 3, 1918, and his wife passed away July 25, 1926. Dudley F. Smith's maternal grandfather, John Smith, was a captain in the Union army during the Civil war, having enlisted from Creston, Ohio. Many of his relatives have been actively engaged in missionary work, including his mother, who was formerly a missionary of the Methodist Episcopal church, in which capacity she spent seven years in Chile, South America. His uncle and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Smith, spent fifteen years as missionaries in old Mexico, and another uncle, named Richards, and his wife spent eighteen years as missionaries in India.

Dudley F. Smith attended the grade schools of Cleveland, Columbus and Mount Vernon, this state, in which cities his father held pastorates, and was graduated from high school at Bucyrus. He was graduated from Ohio Wesleyan University with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1920 and then entered the law school of Ohio State University, from which he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1923. On July 17th, of that year, he was admitted to the bar of Ohio and engaged in the practice of law with the firm of Ritter & Brumback, with which firm he is still connected. Since January 1, 1929, he has served as assistant law director of the city of Toledo. Mr. Smith is entitled to practice at the bar of the United States district court for the northern district of Ohio, western division, of the United States circuit court of appeals of the sixth circuit, and the United States supreme court. He is a constant student of the law, is energetic and conscientious in handling the interests of his clients and has met with a degree of success that reflects creditably on his ability.

On June 15, 1920, Mr. Smith was united in marriage to Miss Helen L. Snyder, a daughter of Joseph and Mary Sny-

der, of Wapakoneta, Ohio. Her father, who was for many years engaged in the manufacture of furniture, passed away a number of years ago and her mother died in 1927.

Mr. Smith is a member of the Masonic fraternity, the Phi Gamma Delta college fraternity and the Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity. He also belongs to the Lucas County and Toledo Bar Associations and the Ohio State Bar Association. He is a veteran of the World war, having served in the Three Hundred and Ninth Engineer Train of the Eighty-third Division. He was in training for six weeks at Camp Sherman, Ohio, went from there to Camp Mills, Long Island, New York, and in September, 1918, was sent to France. He was honorably discharged from the service at Camp Mills in 1919. He is a member of the Soldier and Sailors Union. He and his wife are members of the Epworth Methodist Episcopal church. True and loyal in all the relations of life, Mr. Smith has earned the respect of his fellowmen and is one of Toledo's worthy and reliable citizens.

MELVIN O. RETTIG

Working his way through college, Melvin O. Rettig has developed his latent powers and talents through the exercise of effort and is now a successful lawyer of Toledo with a background of twenty-two years of practical experience in the profession. He was born in Seneca county, Ohio, March 14, 1868, a son of John Leonard and Hannah A. (Carson) Rettig. The father was born in Crawford county, Ohio, in 1842, and his parents were natives of Germany. He was reared and educated in Crawford county and located in Seneca county early in the '60s. In 1870 he settled in Huron county, Ohio, and there remained until his death in 1901, when fifty-nine years of age. As a young man he followed agricultural pursuits and in later life engaged in merchandising at Willard, Ohio. He was identified with the Masonic order and shaped his conduct by the teachings of the United Brethren church. In politics he was a stanch republican and served for several terms on the board of county appraisers. His wife was born in Seneca county in 1846 and attained the

age of sixty-three years, passing away at Willard in 1909. She was a daughter of J. W. and Mary A. (Moore) Carson and of Welsh lineage. The family was founded in America by her great-grandfather, Robert Carson, who came to this country in colonial times and served under General Washington in the Revolutionary war. He was the father of Samuel Carson, who fought in the War of 1812, and the latter's son, Carlington B. Carson, a great-uncle of Melvin O. Rettig, was a soldier in the Civil war. He espoused the cause of the Union, and his grandson, Lloyd Carson, served in the World war. Mr. and Mrs. Rettig were married in Seneca county and became the parents of six children, four sons and two daughters, of whom Elmer E. and Mrs. Nellie Jackson are deceased. The surviving children are: Melvin O.; D. S., who lives in Canada; Letta, the wife of Albert Behm, of Willard, Ohio; and C. B. Rettig, a resident of Niles, this state.

Melvin O. Rettig was a pupil in the country schools of Huron county and the high school at New Washington, Ohio. Early in life he began to provide for his own livelihood and earned six dollars per month by working on a farm, afterward becoming a railroad employe. He attended the Northern Ohio University at Ada and devoted six years to educational work, teaching in the public schools of Huron, Seneca and Crawford counties. His law studies were pursued in the office and under the direction of the firm of Andrews Brothers, well known attorneys of Norwalk, Ohio, and in 1907 he was admitted to the bar. Mr. Rettig has since engaged in general practice in Toledo and each year has recorded a marked increase in his clientele, which is now of large proportions. He has a comprehensive knowledge of the law and displays much skill in its exposition. He is attorney for a number of firms and served on the legal advisory board during the World war.

Mr. Rettig was married June 15, 1898, in Willard, Ohio, to Miss Flora B. Kelsey, who passed away June 6, 1926. Her father, the Rev. William A. Kelsey, was a minister of the United Brethren church and a veteran of the Civil war. Mr. Rettig was married November 24, 1928, in New Washington, Ohio, to Mrs. Fairy B. Kemerline, the widow of Dr. C. E. Kemerline and a daughter of David H. and Hannah A. Scott.

They were early settlers of Crawford county, where Mrs. Rettig was born. Mr. Rettig was one of her playmates and schoolmates in childhood and in later years they were associated in teaching.

The residence of the family is at No. 1104 Prospect avenue, and Mr. Rettig's office is situated on the sixth floor of the Gardner building. His Masonic affiliations are with Boaz Lodge, No. 669, F. & A. M.; Toledo Chapter, No. 161, R. A. M.; Toledo Council, No. 33, R. & S. M.; St. Omar Commandery, No. 59, K. T.; and Zenobia Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Toledo. Mrs. Rettig belongs to the local chapter of the Eastern Star and is a Methodist in religious faith, while Mr. Rettig is a member of the Collingwood Avenue Presbyterian church. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, and while a resident of Willard he was called to the office of justice of the peace, serving from 1899 until 1903, when he resigned. He is a member of the Lucas County, Ohio State and American Bar Associations. Touring constitutes his chief source of recreation. His ability, integrity and public spirit are well known, and his close conformity to the ethical standards of the profession have won for him the high regard of his fellow practitioners.

ALF S. HERRLIN

Alf S. Herrlin, a stockholder in the United States Gypsum Company, at Gypsum, Ottawa county, is doing splendid work for this concern as manager of the sample department. He was born in Chicago, Illinois, in 1907 and is a son of Sven and Anna Herrlin, the latter of whom is deceased. The father, who still resides in Chicago, is successfully engaged in the grocery business. To him and his wife were born seven children, Mabel, Carl, Beatrice, Esther, Ethel, Myrtle and Alf.

The last named received his education in the public and high schools of his native city, supplementing this by a special course in business management. His first work was as a timekeeper for the Cadillac Motor Company, but later he was associated with his father in the grocery business in Chicago.

In 1926 he went to work for the National Radio Company in Chicago, but in March of that year he became interested in the United States Gypsum Company in that city, entering the sample department. He remained there until August 1, 1927, when the department was transferred to Gypsum, Ohio, and Mr. Herrlin became manager of the department, having four men under him.

Mr. Herrlin is a republican in his political views and has shown a commendable interest in public affairs. He is a member of the Catawba Cliffs Beach Club, owning property at the cliffs; is secretary and treasurer of the Polliwog Club, an organization of employes of the gypsum company, and belongs to the Men's Club of Port Clinton, as well as the Glee Club. He attends the Methodist Episcopal and Community churches, and is a man of earnest purpose and upright conduct, having shown himself worthy of the high place which he holds in the esteem of those who have come in contact with him.

FRANK FERGUSON BLUFF

For nearly four decades the Toledo Artificial Limb Company has been numbered among the prosperous and substantial business establishments of the city and has always been in control of the Bluff family, Frank F. Bluff being its present head. He was born in Detroit, Michigan, on the 4th of December, 1876, a son of William and Jessie (Ferguson) Bluff. The father was born in England, November 2, 1847, and died in Toledo, Ohio, July 10, 1926. In 1890 he and W. F. Howell formed a partnership and organized the Toledo Artificial Limb Company. The venture proved successful and in 1911 the business was incorporated, with Mr. Bluff as president, which position he held up to the time of his death. He was a veteran of the Civil war and gave his political support to the republican party. His wife was born in Scotland in September, 1851, and is now residing in Toledo, Ohio.

Frank F. Bluff attended the Jefferson public school in Detroit, and when thirteen years old his parents located in Toledo, after which he attended the Jefferson public school in

this city. Later he attended the A. H. Steadman Business College of Toledo, taking a course in bookkeeping. He was employed for seven years in the finishing department of a photographic studio in Toledo, after which he became connected with the Toledo Artificial Limb Company. In 1911 he acquired stock in the company and was made treasurer and a director. On the death of his father, in 1926, he succeeded him in the presidency. The company is engaged in the manufacture of artificial limbs out of highland willow wood and the superior quality of its product has been the basis on which has been built the splendid business which the company now enjoys.

On November 11, 1917, in Toledo, Mr. Bluff was united in marriage to Mrs. Armenia C. (Chaffee) Thomas, a native of Green township, Trumbull county, Ohio. Mrs. Bluff attended the public schools of her home community and studied music two years in Dana Institute, Warren, Ohio. She taught music prior to her marriage. By her first marriage she is the mother of a daughter, Theda Thomas, who conducts a beauty parlor in their home at 1115 Sylvania avenue.

Mr. Bluff is a republican in his political views and religiously is an adherent of the Baptist faith. He is an active member of the Sons of United Veterans of the Civil war. He gives his close attention to the business of which he is the head and which, under his judicious management, is enjoying a very gratifying measure of prosperity.

THOMAS RILEY MANTON

From his Gaelic ancestors Thomas Riley Manton inherited a keen intellect, strength of purpose and a sturdy physique, and with these assets he has rapidly advanced toward the goal of his ambition, becoming one of the successful attorneys of Toledo. He was born in Van Wert, Ohio, April 18, 1889, and represents one of the old and prominent families of the state. His father, John P. Manton, was born in Toledo, October 22, 1861, a son of Thomas and Jane (Riley) Manton, the former a native of Ireland and the latter of New York state. Thomas Manton, the grandfather of

Thomas Riley Manton, was born on the Emerald Isle but at an early age emigrated to the United States and settled in Toledo, Ohio, becoming one of its pioneer contractors and prominent business men.

His son, John P. Manton, was a pupil in St. Patrick's Academy of Toledo from 1868 until 1875 and also attended the public schools of the city. As a young man he read law in the office of the Hon. John H. Doyle and in 1896 qualified for practice in the courts of this state, while two years later he was admitted to practice in the United States district court. His first public office was that of assistant city solicitor, which he filled in 1900 and 1901, and was recalled to that position in 1906, serving until 1908. A year later he was elected judge of the common pleas court of Lucas county, over which he presided until January, 1921, dispensing justice with an even hand, and his decisions were regarded as models by his colleagues. After his retirement from the bench the Judge resumed the private practice of law, forming a partnership with his son Thomas R., and for several years was senior member of the firm of Manton & Manton. When national issues were at stake he voted the democratic ticket but cast an independent ballot at local elections. He was a member of St. Ann's church and a devout Catholic. Along fraternal lines he was connected with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He was a member of the Toledo Golf Club and the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar Associations.

On the 10th of May, 1885, John P. Manton married Miss Matilda M. Goulden, a daughter of Michael Goulden, who was one of the early settlers of Toledo. For forty-three years they traversed life's pathway together and on December 20, 1928, their union was severed by the death of Mr. Manton. He had attained the age of sixty-eight years and was at the height of his usefulness. He was a courteous, kindly gentleman of high ideals and an ornament to his profession. He is survived by Mrs. Manton, who occupies the family home in Toledo, and by their eight children, four sons and four daughters.

Thomas R. Manton, the third in order of birth, attended parochial and public schools of Toledo and obtained his higher

education in St. John's University, which awarded him the degree of A. B. in 1909 and that of LL. B. in 1914. After his admission to the bar he became a member of the firm of Manton & Manton, with which he is still connected, and has successfully handled much important litigation. His mind is analytical and logical in its trend, and his ability is manifest in the force of his arguments and the clearness of his reasoning. He is a director of the O'Connell Amusement Company, the Lakeside Resort Amusement Company, the Toledo Brush Company and the Port Lawrence Development & Improvement Company.

Mr. Manton was married June 20, 1916, in Toledo to Miss Helen Murphy, who was born July 4, 1890, in this city and is a daughter of John B. and Mary (Barton) Murphy, who have resided here for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Manton have one child, Mary Eileen, who was born July 31, 1917, in Toledo.

The residence of the family is at No. 1926 Upton avenue, and Mr. Manton's suite of offices is located on the ninth floor of the Spitzer building. He is a faithful communicant of the Jesu Roman Catholic church and maintains an independent attitude in politics, supporting the candidate whom he considers best qualified for office. Mr. Manton is a member of the Heather Downs Country Club, the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks and the Lucas County and Ohio State Bar Associations. His outlook upon life is broad, and his personal qualities are such as make for esteem and friendship.

WILLIAM CLYDE TIMBLIN

William Clyde Timblin is one of Port Clinton's enterprising young business men and a well known pharmacist. He was born in Scio, Harrison county, Ohio, in 1900, and is a son of Samuel and Josephine Timblin, who came from Pennsylvania to Ohio. His public school education was acquired in Scio, and in 1923 he was graduated from the pharmaceutical department of the Ohio Northern University at Ada. For a year he was employed by the Steubenville firm of Bell & Steel and in 1924 located in Port Clinton, becoming the

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proprietor of the Davis cut rate drug store. Later he moved the business to No. 136 Madison street and on April 25, 1929, opened his new store at the corner of First and Madison streets. The establishment is artistically finished, and good taste is reflected in all of its appointments. Mr. Timblin carries a complete line of drugs and druggists' sundries, and the filling of prescriptions is an important feature of his business, which is growing rapidly owing to his prompt, efficient and courteous service and policy of honorable, straightforward dealing.

In 1923 Mr. Timblin married Miss Nena Bower, a daughter of D. N. and Mary Bower, prominent residents of Scio. Mr. and Mrs. Timblin reside at 545 West Third street and have one child, Betty Jane, who was born January 29, 1927.

The family attend the Methodist Episcopal church, and Mr. Timblin is allied with the republican party. He is a member of the Lions Club, the Port Clinton Yact Club, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Oliver H. Perry Lodge of Masons. He typifies the spirit of progress in Port Clinton, and his industry and ability have made him a recognized leader of the local drug trade.

CORNELIUS C. COLLINS

The field of opportunity is ever open to the alert, and the fruits of victory are for those who dare. Of courageous spirit and energetic, self-reliant nature, Cornelius C. Collins has provided for his own livelihood from an early age, pressing steadily onward toward the goal of success, and he is now numbered among the substantial business men and prominent realtors of Toledo. He was born in County Cork, Ireland, April 10, 1880, a son of Patrick and Ellen (Roche) Collins, who were lifelong residents of that country. The father died in 1884, and the mother passed away in 1898.

Cornelius C. Collins was reared in his native land and received a common school education. At the age of fourteen he obtained a position in a blacksmith shop and was thoroughly trained in that line of work. In November, 1899, when a young man of nineteen, he sailed for the United

States, joining his brother, who had previously located in Toledo, and owing to his experience as a blacksmith had no difficulty in securing employment. He saved his earnings and when he had accumulated sufficient capital opened a modern, well equipped shop at Monroe and Twenty-second streets. His mechanical knowledge and skill enabled him to establish a large trade, and he continued to engage in blacksmithing until the decline of the business when automobiles came into general use. On laying aside the apparel of a mechanic Mr. Collins joined the ranks of office executives and has been equally successful in the real estate field, which he entered on the 1st of November, 1915. He has negotiated many important transfers of property and knows the worth of all realty in this locality. He also writes insurance and has a suite of offices on the fifth floor of the Spitzer building.

On the 28th of April, 1903, Mr. Collins was united in marriage to Miss Mary E. Mackin, also a native of the Emerald Isle. They are faithful communicants of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic church, and Mr. Collins is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks. He is one of the enterprising members of the Chamber of Commerce and does all in his power to "boost" his city, to which he is deeply attached. Sagacious, decisive and farsighted, he is a fine type of the modern business man and throughout life has been governed by those standards which constitute the basis of all honorable and desirable prosperity.

HOYT B. MEADER, M. D., F. A. C. S.

In the field of professional service Dr. Hoyt B. Meader has made continuous progress and he now ranks with the leading physicians and surgeons of Toledo. He was born in this city on the 29th of January, 1891, and is a son of Albert William and Mary (Shatto) Meader. The Meader family is of Welsh origin and was established in this country by three brothers who emigrated to America prior to the Revolutionary war. The Doctor's grandfather, Valentine Meader, was born in Vermont and settled in Ohio late in the '50s. His wife, also a native of the Green Mountain state, was a dis-

tant relative of the late David Starr Jordan, the noted educator. Albert W. Meader was born in Mount Gilead, Ohio, February 22, 1865, and located in Toledo during the latter part of the '80s. He is still a resident of the city and is engaged as a traveling salesman. Mr. Meader belongs to the Sanford L. Collins Lodge of Masons and is an adherent of the republican party. His wife was born December 24, 1865, on what is now East Broadway in East Toledo but which at that time was a farming community. Her parents, John and Charlotte (Corser) Shatto, were pioneers of Lucas county and of Dutch descent. Mr. and Mrs. Meader have a family of three sons: Hoyt B.; Lysle Albert, who is living in Cleveland, Ohio; and Valentine Kent, a resident of Toledo.

Dr. Meader completed a course in the old Central high school in 1909 and afterward matriculated in the Toledo Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1913. He was an interne of the St. Clair Hospital at Cleveland and also of St. Vincent's Hospital in Toledo, spending a year in each institution, and engaged in general practice in his native city from 1915 to 1917. He then entered the service of his country and was commissioned a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States army. Dr. Meader went overseas in September, 1917, and was assigned to duty with the Lakeside Hospital unit of Cleveland, which was stationed at Rouen, France. This unit was the first body to carry the American flag in Europe, in May, 1917, and for the first month in France was brigaded with the British. Dr. Meader remained at Rouen for three weeks and was then transferred to the British Expeditionary Force. In August, 1918, he was recalled to the Lakeside unit, with which he was connected until April, 1919, and on the 16th of that month was honorably discharged at Camp Sherman near Chillicothe, Ohio. He took a postgraduate course in Cleveland and returning to Toledo in the fall of 1919, has since specialized in surgery. His pronounced ability has brought him a large practice, and he is chief of the surgical department of the Lucas County Hospital, senior associate surgeon of the Women's & Children's Hospital and a member of the surgical staff of the Toledo and Flower Hospitals.

On the 18th of April, 1919, Dr. Meader was married in

Cleveland to Miss Gladys Mansburger, a native of Toledo and a daughter of Wilbur and Nettie (Shepherd) Mansburger, formerly residents of Texas. Dr. and Mrs. Meader have two children: Mary Jane, who was born May 5, 1920; and Robert Charles, born March 30, 1927.

The Doctor's home is at 1943 Calumet avenue and his office is located in the Toledo Medical building at 316 Michigan street. His political support is given to the republican party, and along social lines he is connected with the Sylvania Golf Club, while fraternally he is identified with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is secretary of the Toledo Academy of Medicine and is also affiliated with the Ohio State Medical Society and the American Medical Association and is a fellow of the American College of Surgeons. An earnest student and a tireless worker, Dr. Meader is progressing with his profession and conscientiously discharges life's duties and obligations.

HERMAN E. DECK

The largest and oldest undertaking establishment in Bryan is that of Herman E. Deck, who has been engaged in business here for twenty-three years and commands a large share of the local patronage in his line. Mr. Deck is a native of Williams county and is a son of J. F. and Mary (Berry) Deck, the former of whom was engaged in farming. They were the parents of three sons and five daughters.

Herman E. Deck received his education in the public schools and later worked for A. C. Dillman, an undertaker of Bryan, under whom he served his apprenticeship and with whom he remained ten years. In 1906 Mr. Deck embarked in the same business on his own account, buying out Overholt & Price, and he has carried the business on to the present time. He has been more than ordinarily successful and in 1926 acquired his present splendid funeral home, which in its location, arrangement and equipment will compare favorably with any other mortuary in this locality. He has a nice display room, reception room and preparation room, and has an up-to-date motor service, comprising two Cadillacs, a Pack-

ard and a Dodge, and is in every respect well prepared to render the best quality of service promptly. Mrs. Deck, who is a licensed embalmer, renders valued assistance in the handling of the business. She was formerly Miss Emma Williams, of Bryan, and became Mr. Deck's wife in 1898.

Mr. Deck is a republican in his political views, and is a member of the Masonic order, in which he has received the Knights Templar degrees of the York Rite; is a member of the Mystic Shrine, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Knights of Pythias. He served nine years as a member of the county health board and is at this time president of that board. Socially he is a member of the Orchard Hill Country Club and the Bryan Exchange Club, and is also affiliated with the Ohio State Funeral Directors Association. He has shown a commendable interest in the welfare of the community and is regarded as one of its best citizens.

HOWARD CURRY BAKER

Howard C. Baker, president and founder of the Howard C. Baker Company, is one of the best known men in heating and power plant construction in this section of the country and occupies a foremost position in that line of activity in Toledo. He was born in Clio, Michigan, June 11, 1885, a son of Arthur T. and Luella (Curry) Baker. His grandparents were Henry and Mary Baker, natives respectively of New York and Michigan. The grandfather was a prosperous farmer and after his retirement established his home in Detroit, Michigan. Arthur T. Baker was born in Coldwater, Michigan, and has engaged in the brokerage business in Toledo for several years. He is a member of the Second Church of Christ, Scientist, and gives his political support to the republican party. Mrs. Baker was born in Tontogany, Ohio. Her father, James L. Curry, was born near Ithaca, New York, and during the Civil war was a soldier in the Union army. Afterward he engaged in the practice of law, spending the latter part of his life in Clio, Michigan. In politics he was a stanch republican and aided in framing the laws of Michigan as a member of the house of representatives and

the state senate, serving for a period of eight years. His wife, Sarah (Trembley) Curry, was born in Ohio and passed away in Clio, Michigan.

Howard C. Baker, the eldest in a family of three children, completed a course in the high school at Marlette, Michigan, and attended the State Agricultural College at Lansing, being a member of the class of 1907. He was connected with the Michigan United Traction Company of Lansing for a year and then went to Saginaw, in that state, entering the employ of Clarence L. Cowles, a well known architect, with whom he remained for a similar length of time. In 1907 he came to Toledo and for two years was a mechanical engineer for George S. Mills, also a prominent architect. This was followed by a year's engineering work in Gulfport, Mississippi, for the Yaryan Naval Stores Company, of which Homer T. Yaryan was the executive head. Subsequently Mr. Baker was associated with the firm of Eagan Brothers, heating contractors of Toledo, as vice president, and continued with them for eight years. Going to New York city, he entered the service of Baker, Smith & Company, engaged in constructing power plants for the government, and two years later returned to Toledo. In April, 1919, he established a business of his own, which was subsequently incorporated and of which he has since been president and general manager. In addition to its activities as heating and power plant engineers, this company has also installed the plumbing in a number of the most important buildings in Toledo. It installed the heating, plumbing, ventilating, air conditioning and refrigeration systems in the new Ohio Savings Bank & Trust Company building at St. Clair street and Madison avenue. This was the first office and bank building in Toledo to have the refrigeration air unit by which temperatures in warm weather are controlled. The Howard C. Baker Company are acknowledged experts in the lines in which they specialize and the constant growth of the business is proof of their promptness and efficiency in the execution of contracts. Mr. Baker closely supervises every detail of the work, always holding to a high standard in the field of professional service, and with the initiative of the successful executive, has achieved a well merited success.

On the 22d of April, 1911, Mr. Baker was married in Detroit, Michigan, to Miss Naomi Mae Harsh, a daughter of Michael and Henrietta Harsh. Mrs. Baker was born July 29, 1893, in Toledo, and completed a course in one of its high schools. Mr. and Mrs. Baker are affiliated with the Second Church of Christ, Scientist, and in politics he is a republican. He is a Kiwanian and his wife is a member of the Woman's Club. His Masonic affiliations are with the York and Scottish Rites and Zenobia Temple of the Mystic Shrine. Mr. Baker is a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the American Society of Heating & Ventilating Engineers, the American Association of Master Plumbers, and Heating & Piping Contractors Association. He has chosen for his life work a field of broad usefulness, and the keenness of his intellect and strength of his personality have brought him to the fore in his profession. Mr. Baker's residence is at 4604 Manorwood road.

LOYD WILLIAM HETRICK

Loyd William Hetrick, a representative of the younger generation of business men to whom Oak Harbor looks for its growth and progress, is a well known mortician, following a line of work in which members of the family have long been engaged. He was born in Oak Harbor in 1892, a son of William Henry and Rozella (Setzler) Hetrick, the former a native of Sandusky county and the latter of Green Spring, Seneca county, Ohio. In 1893 the father became identified with the undertaking establishment of Nicholas Thein, remaining in his employ until the business was sold to A. B. Vogel, for whom he also worked. In 1904 Mr. Hetrick purchased the business, which he has since conducted with the assistance of his son, L. W. Hetrick, maintaining the only funeral home in Oak Harbor and one of the oldest institutions of the kind in this part of the state. The father is affiliated with St. John's Lutheran church and shapes his conduct by its teachings. The other children in the family are: Viola, the wife of Edward Heodt, of Oak Harbor; Grace Luella, a teacher in the Glenwood school of Toledo; Edwin, a senior at

the University of Ohio; and Norman John, who is a member of the senior class of the Oakwood high school.

Reared in his native town, Loyd W. Hetrick completed a course in the local high school in 1910; attended the University of Ohio during the following year, and in 1912 was graduated from the Cincinnati College of Embalming. Under his father he was thoroughly trained in the business, becoming its manager in 1922, since which time he has been in charge of the establishment. Entering upon the work during his student days, he has practically grown up in the business, which has constantly expanded under his expert management. Both the father and son are licensed embalmers as well as funeral directors of high standing, and they also deal in furniture and music. Their equipment is thoroughly modern, and the service rendered by the house is first class in every particular.

In 1912 L. W. Hetrick married Miss Cora Mylander, of Oak Harbor, and they have two children: Richard H., who was born in 1914; and Virginia Lou, born in 1919. Mr. Hetrick belongs to the Elks lodge of Fremont and Oak Harbor Camp of the Modern Woodmen of America, while his wife is connected with the local chapter of the Eastern Star. He is clerk of the Oak Harbor Cemetery Association, which he formerly represented in the capacity of president, and is also identified with the Funeral Directors & Embalmers Association and the Catawba Cliffs Beach Club. His religious views are in harmony with the teachings of Grace Lutheran church, whose services he regularly attends. He gives his political allegiance to the democratic party and at one time was a councilman. Loyal and public-spirited, Mr. Hetrick is ever ready to serve his community when needed, fulfilling every duty and obligation in life to the best of his ability.

LEO P. DOLAN, M. D.

Dr. Leo P. Dolan is following the trend of the times, which is toward specialization in all fields of professional activity, and has become one of the well known urologists of Toledo. He was born in this city on the 28th of March, 1898,

a son of Patrick J. and Magdalena (Fipp) Dolan. The father was a native of County Roscommon, Ireland, and in early life went to England, where he completed his education. When a young man of twenty-one he emigrated to the United States, coming direct to Toledo, where he subsequently engaged in banking. He also dealt in real estate and insurance, prospering in all of his undertakings and remaining in this city until his demise, which occurred on the 6th of January, 1920, when he was sixty years of age. A Roman Catholic in religious faith, he united with the Church of the Good Shepherd, and his fraternal affiliations were with the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Order of Foresters. His widow, a native of Ottawa, Ohio, and of German lineage, is still residing in Toledo. Mr. and Mrs. Dolan were the parents of two sons, of whom Norman J. J., the first born, is deceased.

In the acquirement of an education Dr. Dolan attended parochial and public schools of Toledo, afterward taking a course in St. John's University of this city. His B. S. degree was won from the University of Dayton in 1918. During the World war he joined the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States army. In 1923 he received the M. D. degree from the University of St. Louis and while attending that institution took a prominent part in athletic sports, playing tackle on the football team. During 1924 he was an interne of the City Hospital of St. Louis and then took a course of instruction under Dr. Louis E. Schmidt, a noted urologist of Chicago. The following year, 1926, was devoted to post-graduate study in Berlin, Germany, Vienna, Austria, and Budapest, Hungary, and he then returned to Chicago, becoming associated with Dr. Schmidt. In January, 1929, Dr. Dolan located in Toledo and is now a member of the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital. His scientific knowledge is comprehensive and exact, and his professional services are in constant demand.

On the 12th of January, 1929, Dr. Dolan was married in Chicago to Miss Mary Smith Van Arsdale, a native of that city, and they reside at No. 20 Bronson place, while the Doctor's offices are located on the fourth floor of the Ohio building. In politics he maintains an independent attitude, placing the qualifications of a candidate before party ties, and

his religious views are in harmony with the doctrines of the Catholic church. Along social lines he is identified with the Lake Shore Athletic Club of Chicago, and Mrs. Dolan is connected with the Woman's Club of Detroit. He belongs to the local council of the Knights of Columbus and is an ex-president of the St. Louis University Chapter of Phi Beta Pi medical fraternity. In 1926, while abroad, he was elected vice president of the American Medical Association of Vienna and is affiliated with the Toledo Academy of Medicine, the Chicago Medical Society, the Illinois and Ohio State Medical Societies, the American Medical Association and the American Urological Society. He enjoys traveling, and football is his favorite sport. Dr. Dolan is deeply interested in the scientific and humanitarian phases of his work, and through intensive study and practical experience he is coming rapidly to the fore in his profession.

GEORGE WASHINGTON CUPP

Manifesting his energy and self-reliance at an early age, George Washington Cupp has continued throughout life an earnest, efficient worker in every field of activity which he has entered and is now one of the well known realtors and substantial business men of Toledo. He was born August 15, 1857, about three miles southwest of Millgrove in Wood county, Ohio, a son of Jackson and Permelia (Jackson) Cupp, the latter of Irish and English descent. The father was born in Lancaster, Ohio, September 7, 1816, and the mother in Cleveland, this state, August 3, 1833. David Jackson, the grandfather of George W. Cupp, was of English lineage and fought in the War of 1812. He participated in the battle of Fort Meigs, in which every man on his boat was killed. The captain ordered him to hold the boat, which he did. He never fed himself again and died in 1871. At the reunion of his company in 1869 he met his old commanding officer, who kissed him, and the captain's wife gave him twenty dollars. Phillip Cupp, the paternal grandfather of George W. Cupp, also fought in the War of 1812 and, like David Jackson, received an honorable discharge. Jackson Cupp, the father of

Mr. Cupp of this review, settled in Wood county in 1839 and was the first person to be married in Bloom township by Squire Robbins. He was twice married, and became the father of seventeen children, eight of whom are now living.

George W. Cupp was a pupil in the country school near his father's farm and attended a normal school for a year. At the age of seventeen and a half years he began his career as a teacher in Wood county, where he engaged in educational work for twelve years. In 1896 he removed to Shelby, Ohio; located in Mansfield a year later, and in 1922 became a resident of Toledo. On retiring from the educational field he took up journalistic work and was also engaged in contracting for a number of years in the oil district of Wood county. Since 1900 Mr. Cupp has devoted his attention to the real estate business and is one of the most successful operators in Toledo. He is an expert valuator, and his judgment in regard to realty investments is always to be relied upon. Mr. Cupp was the founder of the Central Fruit & Grocery Company of Mansfield, which is now doing over two million dollars' worth of business per year, and he also founded the Shelby Printing Company of Shelby, Ohio, now doing a business amounting to more than three million dollars annually.

Mr. Cupp was married August 2, 1883, in Fostoria, Ohio, to Miss Nettie I. Cook, who was born in Bascom, Seneca county, Ohio, January 31, 1863, and devoted much time to church and temperance work. She was the daughter of William and Naomi (Miller) Cook. Her father served in the Civil war, and her uncle, Captain Miller, was a gallant Union officer who met death in the battle of Lookout Mountain. Mrs. Nettie Cupp died April 20, 1919. On the 20th of August, 1921, Mr. Cupp was married in Syracuse, New York, to Mrs. Jessie M. Kemble, who was born in Manlius, Onondaga county, New York, February 18, 1876. Mr. Cupp is the father of five children, of whom Pearl J. and Park S. are deceased. The others are: Fred A., who married Miss Grace Longshore and is a resident of Mansfield, Ohio; Lola May, who is the wife of Fred W. Marth, of Mansfield; and Don, who married Miss Irene Stafford and is also living in Mansfield.

Mr. Cupp was reared in the Methodist faith but is now a

strong Universalist. In politics he is a stalwart republican and has been an ardent worker in behalf of the party. He was a member of the election board for thirty-five years, the executive head of the school board for six years, president of the city council for a similar length of time and also constable for six years, making a highly creditable record in each of these offices. Formerly he was identified with the Knights of Pythias and passed through all of the chairs in his lodge. In 1900 he joined the Modern Woodmen of America and is still connected with the order. His powers and talents have been wisely conserved, and although he has passed the seventy-second milestone on life's journey he remains an active factor in the world's work. Mr. Cupp has exerted his efforts as readily for the general good as for his own aggrandizement, and time has established his worth as a business man and as a citizen.

JOSEPH C. HUBER, JR.

Joseph C. Huber, Jr., a prominent architect of Toledo, was born January 8, 1884, on a farm at what is now Collingwood and Melrose, Toledo, in a large brick house, which stood opposite the site of the new cathedral. This pioneer dwelling, one of the first erected in that vicinity, was recently demolished. Mr. Huber was the fifth of a family of eleven children born to Joseph C. Huber, Sr., and Agatha (Machen) Huber. His grandfather, H. P. L. Machen, having received land from the government, staked out his claim at this site when Indians still lived in the district. On that homestead the family of Joseph C. Huber, Sr., resided for a few years during the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Machen in Europe.

Joseph C. Huber, Sr., was a native of Baden Baden, Germany, and was left an orphan at the age of two years, being reared in Defiance, Ohio, by Mrs. Hendricka Van Den Broeck, who reared besides her only daughter, Mrs. Arnold J. Machen, now eighty-four years of age and residing at 339 Batavia street, Sister Dionisious, who celebrated her golden jubilee in a convent at Joliet, Illinois, in June, 1929. Mr. Huber, Sr., worked for nine years on the bench as a tailor

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in Defiance and then joined Arnold J. Machen on South St. Clair street, Toledo. Later the business was conducted at Monroe and Summit streets and subsequently in the old Law building at Madison avenue and Superior street, where Mr. Huber was known as Toledo's fashionable tailor. He possessed those qualities which make for popularity and at one time was urged to become a candidate for mayor but was not desirous of holding public office, although he heartily indorsed all movements for the city's growth and betterment. In politics he was non-partisan and in religious belief was a Catholic, while along fraternal lines he was prominent in the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His upright, useful life was terminated in 1909, when he was sixty-one years old. His wife attained the age of forty-one years, passing away in 1896.

Joseph C. Huber, Jr., decided while still a school boy that he would become an architect and previous to his graduation from St. Patrick's Academy in 1900 studied drafting and sketching under the late Arthur E. Hitchcock, from the Boston Institute of Technology, an architect of note. Later Mr. Huber entered his employ, working six months of his apprenticeship without compensation, and was then paid a salary of three dollars per week, which he now says was probably more than he earned. After the death of Mr. Hitchcock he entered the service of E. O. Fallis, dean of Toledo architects, remaining with him for six years, and was next a student at Columbia University, from which he gained his theoretical knowledge. While working in the offices of a number of New York architects he enlarged his practical experience and in 1908 returned to his native city as an architect for the board of education, with which he was thus connected for four years. During that period he was engaged with others on plans for the Scott and Waite high schools, as well as several ward schools, and rendered valuable service to the city in that connection. Mr. Huber then opened an office here and while conducting his private practice received from Bishop Joseph Schrembs the appointment of consulting architect of the Architectural Commission of the Diocese of Toledo. The importance of this position is indicated in the fact that he was in charge of all work in sixteen counties of north-

western Ohio and designed many of the buildings in this section of the state. Since 1912 Mr. Huber has practiced independently and on the death of E. O. Fallis took over his business. He maintains offices in the tower of the Security Bank building and has attained high standing in his profession.

Mr. Huber was married April 24, 1909, in Detroit, Michigan, to Mrs. Nellie Hitchcock Joslin, widow of Clarence Joslin. Mr. and Mrs. Huber have four daughters: Mary Ellen Greiner, Margaret Elizabeth Mahon, Jane Rosalie Hitchcock and Patricia Josephine Huber. The residence of the family is at 216 West Bancroft street, Toledo.

Mr. Huber adheres to the Catholic faith and is unbiased in his political views, voting according to the dictates of his judgment. He is greatly attached to Toledo, taking keen delight in its general development and civic improvements, and is a firm believer in the rapidly increasing value of its real estate. He is president of the Architects Society of Toledo, a charter member of Toledo Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, and is now engaged in organizing the Ohio Society of Architects. Mr. Huber enjoys his work so thoroughly that he never takes an extended vacation, his work being his recreation. All of his energies are reserved for his professional labors, and his pronounced success indicates that he has chosen the vocation which affords the best medium for the expression of his talents and creative art.

LAURANCE BALDWIN BECKWITH

Laurance B. Beckwith, one of the best known figures in stock brokerage and financial circles of Toledo, is the head of Bell & Beckwith. He was born in this city, December 27, 1879, a son of George H. and Elizabeth M. (Baldwin) Beckwith, and is of English lineage in both the paternal and maternal lines. The father was born in Cleveland, Ohio, February 22, 1856, and was reared and educated in that city. Early in the '70s he came to Toledo and has long been regarded as one of the ablest members of the Toledo bar, being

senior member of the law firm of Smith, Beckwith, Ohlinger & Froehlich, and he maintains the dignity and honor of his profession. His wife came from an old and prominent family of Toledo. To them were born one son and one daughter: Laurance B.; and Eva M., who is the wife of Thomas Rodd, Jr., of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Laurance B. Beckwith attended the public schools of Toledo and later a preparatory school in Cleveland, concluding his education at Yale University, from which he received his B. A. degree with the class of 1902. His initial experience as a stock broker was with Secor & Bell, and in 1905 he was admitted to a partnership. The style was later changed to Secor, Bell & Beckwith, and so continued until the death of Jay K. Secor in 1921, when the firm name became Bell & Beckwith, the senior partner being James Brown Bell, who was one of the founders of the business in 1898. Mr. Bell's death occurred in 1924, but the firm name of Bell & Beckwith remains unchanged. This firm is a member of the New York Stock Exchange and offers a complete investment and brokerage service with every modern facility and practice. It has long occupied a foremost position in its line of business in this section of the country and enjoys an extensive and high class clientele.

Mr. Beckwith's long experience in the security brokerage business has given him unusual familiarity with its various phases and he is regarded as a very able man in his line. Among his other business connections, which include banking, industrial and commercial interests, he is a director of the Toledo Trust Company; director of the La Salle & Koch Company of Toledo; director of Harbauer & Company of Toledo; director of the Sterling Products Company, the Household Products Company and the American Products Company, all operating in New York city. He has a wide acquaintance with financial men in various parts of the country.

On October 9, 1907, Mr. Beckwith was married in Toledo to Miss Katharine R. Smith, a native of this city and a daughter of Howard M. and Ida (Howard) Smith, both of whom are deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Beckwith have a son and a daughter: Redfield, who was born July 27, 1910; and Eliz-

abeth, born July 5, 1914. The family residence is on Chevy Chase Lane.

Mr. Beckwith is a member of the Toledo Club, the University Club, the Toledo Country Club and the Carranor Hunt Club, while Mrs. Beckwith belongs to the Woman's Club. In politics he is a republican. His activities and interests are well balanced, and he loyally cooperates in all projects for Toledo's growth and betterment.

EDWARD P. SARGEANT

Edward P. Sargeant, who fought for his country in the World war, recently joined the legal fraternity of Toledo and possesses the energy, ability and ambition essential to important achievement. He was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, October 18, 1895, a son of John and Hannah (Martin) Sargeant, natives of England. They emigrated to the United States in 1868, settling in Ohio, and the father obtained work as a brick-mason, a trade which he had learned in England. While living in Cincinnati he engaged in contracting, specializing in fire brick, and devoted his life to that line of work. He operated on an extensive scale and at one time took a large part of the output of the Charles Taylor & Sons Company, manufacturers of fire brick particularly adapted to the setting of fire kilns and boilers. He passed away in 1900. His widow, who still resides in Cincinnati, has attained the age of seventy-two years. They became the parents of seven sons, of whom three were trained by their father in the trade of a brick-mason, which they are still following.

The youngest son, Edward P. Sargeant, was reared in his native city, graduating from West night high school in 1915, and then matriculated in the Cincinnati Law School, which he attended for a year. In 1917, at the time of the first draft, he enlisted in the United States Army and was assigned to duty with Company A of the Three Hundred and Thirtieth Regiment of Infantry, attached to the Eighty-third Division. On the 12th of June, 1918, he sailed for France and served with distinction. On returning to America he was sent to Chillicothe, Ohio, and in February, 1919, was honorably dis-

charged at Camp Sherman. Before his enlistment he had been an employe of The W. H. Anderson Company, publishers and distributors of law books, and on arriving in Cincinnati he resumed his connection with the firm, which he represented as a traveling salesman. From 1919 to 1921 he covered the Cincinnati territory as well as all of Tennessee and part of Kentucky and portions of Alabama and Georgia. While riding on the train he read law and also had the benefit of instruction from John C. Nieporte, a prominent attorney of Cincinnati. In 1921 he was transferred to the northwestern Ohio district and established his headquarters in Toledo on the 11th of May, 1925, when The W. H. Anderson Company opened a branch office on the eighth floor of the Spitzer building. After coming to this city Mr. Sargeant studied under Ira R. Cole, now judge of the municipal court of Toledo, and on the 27th of January, 1928, was admitted to the bar but at present is devoting his time to the sale of law books, in which connection he has met with gratifying success.

On the 23d of November, 1923, Mr. Sargeant was united in marriage to Miss Laura Schmazel, also a native of Cincinnati, in which city her mother still resides, but her father has passed away. Mr. and Mrs. Sargeant are earnest, helpful members of the Presbyterian church, and he is also identified with the Masonic order, the American Legion and the State Bar Association. He is a devotee of golf and also enjoys swimming and boating. He has an analytical, well trained mind and is a tireless worker, destined to succeed in anything that he undertakes, while his personal traits are such as inspire strong and enduring regard.

DAVID CREGER

David Creger, member of the law firm of Kear & Creger, of Upper Sandusky, and the present prosecuting attorney of Wyandot county, was born in this city on the 10th of December, 1900, and is a son of Franklin P. and Emma (Foulk) Creger, the former of whom is a successful and well known farmer. In the family were the following children: David,

of this review; William R., a chemist of Chicago, Illinois; Hubert, who is at home; Paul, a reporter on the Daily Chief, of Upper Sandusky; and Grace, who is at home.

David Creger received his early education in the public and high schools of Nevada, Ohio, graduating from the latter in 1919. Later he entered the law department of Ohio Northern University, from which he was graduated in 1926, and in July of that year was admitted to the bar. In 1927 he opened a law office in Upper Sandusky and is now a partner of Russell H. Kear. In the fall of 1928 Mr. Creger was elected prosecuting attorney of Wyandot county, assuming the office on January 7, 1929, and is discharging the duties of that position in a very able and creditable manner.

Mr. Creger is a democrat in politics and has always shown a keen interest in public affairs. He is a member of the Reformed church and is affiliated with the Wyandot County Bar Association and the Ohio State Bar Association, being highly regarded by his professional brethren. As a lawyer he is careful and conscientious; has shown a ready familiarity with legal principles and their application, and has met with flattering success in practice.

HARRY WILLSON FALCONER

Harry Willson Falconer, a worthy scion of an old and distinguished southern family, has depended upon his own efforts for advancement and is one of the best known insurance men of Toledo, where he has successfully engaged in this line of business for thirty years and has also gained prominence in other walks of life. He was born in Washington, D. C., July 22, 1862, a son of William Hamilton and Mary Ann (Boteler) Falconer, both of English lineage.

William Hamilton Falconer was a descendant of the Hon. William Burgess, who was born in England in 1622 and bore the arms of the family of Truro, in Cornwall, namely, a fesse chequy, or and gules, in chief three crosses crosslet fitchie of the last, but maintained a very near relationship to the Burgesses of Marlborough, Wilts county, whose daughter was the wife of Lord Charles Baltimore's stepson. In Burke's Landed

Gentry appears the name of John Burgess, of Parkanour and Thorp Hall in County Tyrone, Ireland. He bore the title of high sheriff and married Lady Caroline Clements, the youngest daughter of Nathaniel, the second earl of Listron. From John Burgess was descended Joseph Burgess, Esq., who married Elizabeth, daughter of George Lloyd, of Eastham, Essex county, England, and had three sons. The records reveal a will of Joseph Burgess, Esq., of Marlborough, made in 1674, granting his estate to his relatives in Maryland, one of whom, the Hon. William Burgess, became his executor.

About 1680 Colonel William Burgess founded the town of London on the South river and in a few years that community outrivaled Annapolis in point of culture. The land records show a tract called Burgh, taken up in 1658 by Colonel Burgess, and they also state that on September 24, 1674, he proved his right to five hundred and fifty acres of land for transporting eleven persons. He passed away on the 24th of January, 1686, at the age of sixty-four years, and the tombstone erected by his wife is the oldest in All Hallows cemetery. Colonel Burgess left a family of eleven children, seven sons and four daughters, and was also survived by eight grandchildren. A daughter married Samuel Norwood, who was one of the first vestrymen of St. Ann's Episcopal church at Annapolis. Samuel Norwood was a man of wealth and prominence, and his estate, known as Norwood, afterward became the site of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis. Colonel Burgess increased his holdings until he became one of the largest landholders in Maryland and at various times transported about one hundred and fifty persons to the colony.

William Hamilton Falconer was born April 3, 1820, and was reared and educated in Maryland. In early manhood he removed to Washington, D. C., and there engaged in contracting for several years, building many of the city's fine residences. He constructed the Louise Home, erected by W. W. Corcoran for decadent southern families impoverished by the Civil war, and was also the builder of the Corcoran Art Museum and the old Riggs Hotel. He was one of the foremost contractors of the capital city and contributed in notable measure toward its upbuilding and improvement. In 1863

he retired from that field of activity and afterward was prominent in business, financial and civic affairs of Frederick, Maryland. For many years he was a director of the Deaf & Dumb Institute of Frederick and also served as president of the Frederick County Agricultural Society. In politics he was a stanch republican. Mr. Falconer had a large residence on East Patrick street and there he frequently entertained his intimate friend, General Grant, and other men of note.

The wife of William Hamilton Falconer was born February 10, 1826, and was a granddaughter of Walter Boteler, an Englishman. He was born in 1763 and died August 22, 1829. His wife, Jemima Boteler, was also born in 1763 and her demise occurred on the 29th of January, 1831. Death summoned Mr. Falconer in 1890, and his wife passed away May 14, 1912.

Harry W. Falconer received instruction from private tutors and also attended Frederick College. Afterward his father secured for him a position in a local dry goods store, in which he worked for a year without pay, and was there employed until 1879. At that time the family located in Baltimore, Maryland, and he entered the service of D. Holliday & Company, a wholesale dry goods firm of that city. He learned all branches of the business and was next a commercial traveler for the Daniel Miller Wholesale Dry Goods Company, with which he spent a number of years. Wishing to see the west, he located in Kansas City, Missouri, but a year later returned to the east. For seven years he was connected with a mercantile house of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and after his father's death started in business for himself. Although he prospered in the undertaking, Mr. Falconer decided to withdraw from that field, finding the work uncongenial, and he sold the business. On the 24th of January, 1898, he arrived in Toledo and immediately afterward engaged in the insurance business. He now writes all forms of insurance and has developed one of the largest concerns of the kind in this part of the state. His associates in the business are his only son, Robert Daniels Falconer, and Howard O. Dunbar and Byron S. Picton. Harry W. Falconer is at the head of the business and in its control brings to bear the

knowledge, wisdom and executive force so essential to success in every line of commercial activity.

Mr. Falconer was married October 12, 1904, in Toledo, to Miss Mabel Virginia Daniels, a daughter of Thomas Daniels, a well known pharmacist of the city, and Mary (Clark) Daniels. Mr. and Mrs. Falconer have two children, Robert Daniels and Virginia, twins. The daughter is the wife of Robert R. Coon, who is a partner of the Toledo firm of Bell & Beckwith, stock and bond brokers.

Mr. Falconer has a country home, Falconwood, situated near Perrysburg in Wood county, Ohio, and his offices are located on the ninth floor of the Nicholas building in Toledo. During the World war he had charge of the local hut of the Young Men's Christian Association and has been one of the trustees of that organization for a number of years. He is vice president of the Flower Hospital and a vestryman of Trinity Episcopal church. At one time he was president of the Men's Club of the church and is now chairman of the Episcopal Mission in this city, manifesting a deep and helpful interest in religious work. He was the first president of the Toledo Casualty Agents Association and is also identified with the Toledo Chamber of Commerce, the Toledo Club, and Sanford L. Collins Lodge, No. 396, of the Masonic order. Mr. Falconer is broad in his views, progressive in his standards and high in his ideals and exerts a strong force for good in his city.

WALTER A. EVERSMAN

Walter A. Eversman has made the practice of law his life work and is one of Toledo's well known attorneys. He is a son of Frederick W. and Elizabeth (Graether) Eversman. Immediately after his graduation from the Toledo high school he entered the University of Michigan, from which he received the degree of A. B. in 1901 and that of LL.B. in 1903. He was admitted to the bar in June, 1903, and entered upon the practice of law in Toledo and in 1915 became a partner in the firm of Brown, Geddes, Schmettau & Williams. He is now a member of the firm of Geddes, Sch-

mettau, Williams, Eversman & Morgan, whose offices are located on the eleventh floor of the Ohio building.

On June 25, 1910, Mr. Eversman married Miss Grace L. Greenhalgh. In 1918 he was appointed general solicitor in charge of the legal department of the Toledo, St. Louis & Western Railroad, now the New York, Chicago and St. Louis Railroad Co., for the Federal government, thus serving until the termination of federal control, when he was elected a director and general solicitor of that road, whose legal interests he has safeguarded since that time. He is a member of the local, state and national bar associations.

PETRIE MOFFAT

The James Vernor Company is ably represented in Toledo by Petrie Moffat, an enterprising young business man, who has made an enviable record during the eight years of his connection with this well known corporation. A native of Ontario, Canada, he was born December 19, 1896, and is one of the three children of John and Fannie Moffat. The others are: Horace, who is engaged in farming in Canada; and Irene, the wife of Roy Alexander.

Petrie Moffat acquired his high school education in Paisley, Ontario, and in 1914 enrolled as a student in the Normal College at North Bay, graduating with the class of 1915. For two years he was a teacher in the public schools of Canada and afterward traveled for a time. He was engaged in agricultural pursuits near Regina in western Canada for two years. During the World war Mr. Moffat enlisted in the Canadian army and was assigned to the western division, being stationed in the officers training camp at Regina for eight months. On receiving his honorable discharge he returned to the homestead, which he cultivated for a year, and then crossed the border, locating in Detroit, Michigan. In 1921 he became a salesman for the James Vernor Company of that city, thus continuing for four and a half years, when he was promoted to the position of manager, and has since conducted the company's store in Toledo. Located at 319-21 Erie street, it has forty-five hundred square feet of floor

space and is unique in its appointments and furnishings. A large sum of money was expended upon the establishment, which embodies the Italian style of architecture and is artistically decorated. The counters are of marble and an art cement floor is one of the features of the place, which is provided with the newest system of lighting and every modern convenience. The balcony is attractive and inviting, and the office is supplied with the best equipment obtainable. The company operates a number of trucks, which deliver its products within a radius of sixty miles from Toledo. Vernor's ginger ale has a wide sale in many states and for years has been classed with the best beverages of the kind on the market. Mr. Moffat has exerted every effort to promote the success of the company and under his capable direction their business in Toledo has rapidly expanded.

On the 25th of April, 1925, Mr. Moffat was married in Detroit to Miss Hazel James, a daughter of Albert and Jeannette James, the former a native of Wales and the latter an American. Doris Moffat, the only child of this marriage, was born June 1, 1928. The family attend the Rosewood Presbyterian church, and Mr. Moffat is identified with the Masonic order. Of forceful personality and progressive spirit, he occupies a prominent position in business circles of Toledo and loyally cooperates in all projects destined to prove of benefit to the city.

CLEON DUBS BRILLHART

The town of Napoleon, Ohio, is fortunate in having at the head of its school system a man of the caliber and character of Professor Cleon Dubs Brillhart, who as superintendent of the city schools has rendered a type of service that has met with the approbation and appreciation of the people of the community. He was born in Tioga county, Pennsylvania, in 1892 and is a son of Rev. William E. and Cora (Kline) Brillhart, also natives of the old Keystone state. The father, who was a minister of the Evangelical church, died in 1917 at York, Pennsylvania, and the mother is still living in that city. Both grandfathers, Edward Brillhart and John Kline,

served in the Union army during the Civil war, and two of his brothers, John E. and William E. Brillhart, are veterans of the World war and are now prominent in educational and religious affairs.

Cleon D. Brillhart attended the public schools of his native state and was graduated from York Collegiate Institute in 1912. He then entered Albright College, at Myerstown, Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1916. During the three succeeding years he was a teacher in the high school at Bowling Green, Ohio, as well as athletic coach. In 1919 he became principal of the high school at Napoleon, in which capacity he served six years, and was then made superintendent of the city schools, still filling that position in a highly creditable manner. With a natural aptitude and love for educational work, he has devoted his efforts closely to the interests of the schools here, with results that are greatly appreciated throughout the community. The Napoleon schools are in every respect modern in equipment and methods and are fully accredited. The new high school building was completed in 1921, at a cost of two hundred and ninety thousand dollars, and the manual arts, home economics, chemistry and biology departments are recognized as among the most complete and efficient in northern Ohio. The old high school building, located on the same grounds with the new building, is used for the grades and the junior high school. The present grounds have been used for school purposes continuously since about 1866, the first class graduating in 1870. It is questionable whether in Ohio can be found more attractive public school grounds, the lawns being spacious and well kept and ornamented with more than thirty giant elm and maple trees, besides many flowers and much ornamental shrubbery. From the trees hang potted ferns, vines and plants in profusion, and bird fountains are scattered over the grounds, the general appearance of the premises indicating a prideful care and attention over many years. In the rear of the school buildings are the play grounds, containing equipment valued at over five thousand dollars and including tennis courts, volleyball courts, an outdoor basketball park and a spacious football and baseball field. The grounds are equipped and

arranged so as to care for the recreation of pupils of all ages. The South grade school likewise is well equipped with a playground and a nicely cared for lawn about the building. About eleven hundred pupils are enrolled in the grade schools and three hundred and twenty-five in the high school, while thirty-two teachers are employed. There is a school band of sixty pieces, which is a highly creditable organization and has stimulated a love for music among many who otherwise would have given it little personal attention. To all of these various interests Mr. Brillhart has given a due share of his attention, for he is deeply sympathetic with every phase of public school life and favors every activity which will in any way contribute to the mental, moral or physical development of the young. He spent the summer of 1929 at the University of Michigan, working on the M. A. degree.

On July 1, 1917, in Bowling Green, Ohio, Mr. Brillhart was united in marriage to Miss Edna E. English, who prior to her marriage was secretary to the superintendent of schools of that city. To them have been born two sons, William E. and Robert R.

Mr. Brillhart is a member of Bowling Green Lodge, No. 112, F. & A. M., and is advisory for Maumee Valley Chapter, Order of DeMolay, at Napoleon. He is president of the Kiwanis Club, is a member of the executive committee of the Boy Scouts of America and is a director of the movement "City Beautiful," which is doing such effective work in his community. He is treasurer of the city library board and has shown an effective interest in the welfare of this very important institution. He and his wife are members of the Presbyterian church, of which Mr. Brillhart is an elder. He is the teacher of a Bible class of more than sixty members, known as "Everyman's Bible Class," while Mrs. Brillhart served as superintendent of the primary department and is chairman of the music committee of that organization. In 1917 he enlisted for the World war, entering the officers' training camp at Camp Knox, Kentucky, but the armistice was signed before he was ordered into active service. A man of progressive ideas and methods, public spirited in his attitude towards everything having to do with the welfare of his community and standing consistently for all that is best

in life, he has exerted a definite influence for good in the city now honored by his citizenship and commands the uniform confidence and esteem of all who know him.

ELMER E. DAVIS

Largely through his own efforts, Elmer E. Davis earned and provided the money necessary for his higher education, and is now numbered among the successful lawyers of Toledo. He was born on a farm near New Straitsville in Perry county, Ohio, October 31, 1865, a son of Robert and Alcinda (Thorpe) Davis. His father was a native of Pennsylvania, and his mother of New York. Both parents migrated to Ohio while they were small children. The family lived on a farm in Perry county, Ohio, until the year 1888, when it removed from there to a farm near Newark, Ohio, where two members of the family still reside. Six children were born to the parents, four of whom survive. The mother died in 1888 shortly before the family removed from Perry county. The father died on the farm near Newark in 1920.

While living on the home farm Elmer E. Davis attended the district schools and later the New Straitsville high school. After his graduation from high school he worked for some years in order to earn the money necessary for his higher and professional education. He later entered the University of Michigan, from which he was graduated in June, 1891, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In the fall of that year he located in Toledo, where he has practiced law continuously up to the present time. He is well versed in legal science, and the court records show that he has won a large percentage of the cases intrusted to his care.

On September 6, 1904, Mr. Davis was united in marriage with Miss Grace L. Richards, of Toledo, Ohio. He is a republican and served as a member of the common council of Toledo in 1893. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, a member of the Shrine, and also belongs to the local, state and American Bar Associations. He is highly regarded by the members of the bar and has long taken an active and prominent part in the civic and business affairs of Toledo.

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